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### LAW INTELLIGENCE.

The Hock Taw trial was continued to-day and it will likely take up the greater part of to-morrow before it is finished. She Doi's wife was called and swore that a letter produced on She Doi's cross-examination yesterday was not in her handwriting, although it was the same in substance as one she wrote Whitehead. At the conclusion of the crown's case Mr. Fell asked that the case be dismissed, as the prosecution had not made out a case such as called on his client for an answer. His lordship decided that there was a case to answer and the defence called Mr. Hargraves, who is giving evidence about the seals used on some of the letters.

### GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks, Dec. 17.—A dispatch from Camp McKinney announces that Alexander Ramage, a miner, received an ugly cut in the neck while in a drunken row at that camp a few days ago. Ramage, with several other miners, got into a dispute which ended in a rough and tumble fight, and it was while thus engaged that Ramage received a four-inch cut in the neck by some person in the crowd. The identity of the perpetrator of this cowardly act has not yet been ascertained, although one Mike Davley, another miner, has since been arrested at Camp McKinney on suspicion of knowing something about the matter.

Word comes from Nelson, Wash., that an election will be held at that place on the first of January next for the purpose of electing a mining recorder for the Curlew district. For the last year his office has been filled by Mr. Jennings, who has given entire satisfaction.

Deputy Customs Inspector Boissinault of Nelson, Wash., seized two kegs of whiskey and one of alcohol last Sunday, as they were being taken into the drug store at Eureka camp by Mr. O'Connor, the proprietor of the store. Mr. Boissinault is holding this liquor at Nelson, pending instructions from the collector of customs at Fort Townsend.

### PERSONAL.

George Beckingham is over from Seattle.

Dr. R. S. Gordon, of Montreal, is at the Driard.

M. Strouss returned this morning from the Sound.

J. Paupore, of Nakusp, is registered at the Driard.

W. J. Taylor came home from the Sound this morning.

Miss Macaulay returned last evening from a visit to Vancouver.

M. H. Lynch, a mining expert of London, is at the Wilson.

Mrs. T. H. Tye returned this morning from a visit to the Sound.

L. Oppenheimer, of Oppenheimer Bros., Vancouver, is at the Driard.

J. C. M. Keith was a passenger homeward on the Kingston this morning.

Dr. Lewis Hall was a passenger to the Mainland by the Charmer this morning.

W. W. D. Turner and S. J. Signor and wife, of Spokane, are guests at the Driard.

R. E. Gosnell, provincial librarian, was a passenger last evening from the Terminal city.

G. H. Abbott and wife, of Seattle; J. Moore, of Vancouver; are registered at the Wilson.

Senator Templeman, this morning, went over to the Mainland, where he will spend several days.

George McL. Brown, executive agent of the C. P. R., came over from Vancouver last evening.

B. J. Short, J. E. Macfarlane, Robert Hamilton and D. McGillivary, all of Vancouver, are guests at the Driard.

Captain Rupert Cox returned yesterday evening from Nova Scotia, where he has been spending a holiday among friends.

—See Weller Bros.' illuminated store. A beautiful array of bright and attractive goods.

"What kind of tea did your mother tell you to get?" asked the grocer of Sammy Snaggs, who had been sent on an errand. "Soloug," replied Sammy.—Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

The S. A. Supply Co., of London, are desirous of employing a number of families to do work at home for them. See their advertisement in our "Wanted Help" column.

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## Notice of Warning.

All persons using a light similar to the the Welsbach, Apollo and others constructed with a mantle, are infringing our patent rights, and we herewith give warning that they are doing so at their own peril.

We have no desire to involve any one in needless litigation and costs, but we are determined to protect our rights, and call attention to clause 29 of the Patent Act, as follows:—

"Every person, who, without the consent in writing of the Patentee, makes, constructs or puts in practice any invention for which a patent has been obtained under this Act or any previous Act, or who procures such invention from any person not authorized by the Patentee or his legal representative to make use of it, shall be liable to the Patentee or his legal representatives in any action of damages for so doing."

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## MR. KELLIE EXPLAINS

**Revelstoke Citizens Hear Why He Refused to Support the Turner Government.**

**Resolution Passed Condemning the Government's Action in Appointing the Gold Commissioner.**

Revelstoke, B. C., Dec. 22. (Special)—A large and enthusiastic meeting assembled in Peterson's Hall, Revelstoke, yesterday evening, to hear Mr. J. M. Kellie's explanation of why he refused to longer support the Turner government. The hall was packed, about three hundred persons being present, and Mr. Kellie's speech, in which he explained the many causes of friction that led him to take this decisive step, evoked considerable applause.

At the close of the speech the following resolution was proposed:

"Having heard the explanations offered by our member, Mr. Kellie, regarding the appointment to the gold commissionership of John Drinkwater Sibbald, and remembering all the circumstances connected with the appointment, be it,

"Resolved—That this meeting expresses its disapproval of the same and condemns the government for making it."

Out of the large gathering but six hands or thereabouts went up in favor of the appointment. This is a direct slap in the face to the government. So also was a subsequent motion asking Mr. Kellie to retain his seat to save a bye-election. The band was out and there was very general excitement.

## FROM THE CAPITAL

**Rossland Mining Operator Charged With Obtaining Money Under False Pretences.**

**Carlos Warfield Married—Trouble in Quebec Reported to Have Been Cleared Up.**

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—Robert Stevenson, president of the Granite Creek Mining Company, of British Columbia, appeared in the police court here this morning, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. Miss Christie, of Ottawa, from whom he got a gold watch and diamond ring for seven shares in his company, laid the charge. Stevenson was remanded and is out on bail.

Cairos Warfield, manager to August Heinze, of Rossland, B. C., was married to Mis Whitney at Prescott to-day.

It is stated on good authority that the trouble in Quebec has been cleared up by the premier to the satisfaction of the old guard.

The unanimous award of the Behring Sea sealing commissioners, Judges King and Putnam, has been handed to Sir Julian Pauncefote and Secretary Sherman. The amount is not stated.

Sir William Van Horne was here to-day and had an interview with several ministers on the subject, it is said, of the C.P.R. getting entrance into Rossland.

The premier returned to the capital from Quebec this morning. The council is in session this afternoon with almost a full attendance of ministers. The announcement for the date of the meeting of parliament and the final arrangements in connection with the Yukon trade are looked for.

The postal revenue continues to grow, the November returns showing an increase of $70,000 over the same month last year.

Lieut.-Governor Mowat, who has been closing up private affairs here, has left for Toronto. Many friends were present at the station to see him off.

The new minister of justice proposes to personally examine into each capital case before reporting to council whether or not the law should take its course. Heretofore the chief clerk of the department has reviewed the evidence and judges reports on capital cases.

### FIGHTING FOR DURRANT.

**The Murderer's Attorneys Striving To Save Him From the Gallows.**

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—The attorneys for Durrant have filed notice that they will ask for a change of venue from the recent order of sentence by Judge Bahrs on the ground that the court was prejudiced. An appeal to the governor for a commutation of the sentence will also be made on the ground that a review of sentence of the Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams cases should be made. Another effort to get the case before the federal courts will also be made.

### AMERICAN NEWS.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 22.—Complete and revised returns from 91 voting precincts in this city show that Mayor Josiah Quincy (Dem.) was re-elected yesterday with a plurality of 407 votes.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 22.—Charles F. Stubbs started last night for Europe as a special envoy from this government appointed by Secretary Wilson, agricultural department, to encourage the use of the American horse in the cavalry of Europe.

Doniphan, Mo., Dec. 22.—Fire destroyed the business portion of the town yesterday. Twenty-six business houses were burned, and there is an estimated loss of $100,000.

## PEACE OR WAR?

**China is Asking This Question Regarding Her Relations With Germany.**

**Russian Influence Paramount—The Situation at Kiao Chau Bay is Unchanged.**

Pekin, Dec. 22.—The China government have granted Russia permission to winter a squadron at Port Arthur. Great Britain demands a quid pro quo if concessions have been made to other powers. It has been suggested that the Japanese and British occupy Wei-Hai-Wei jointly.

The situation at Kiao Chau bay is unchanged. Germany remains unyielding and Chinese counsels are divided as to whether there should be peace or war with Germany.

China regards Russia as her only friend, and is asking her advice alone. British influence is nil, having suffered greatly through the failure of the loan negotiations.

China is now negotiating a loan with Russia. The latter demands the dismissal of the British railroad engineers in North China, and it is probable that the demand will be granted.

The German drill instructors will be dismissed at the expiration of their contracts and be replaced by Russians. Russian officers have already been appointed to drill the armies in North China.

It is believed that Port Arthur and Kiao Chou Bay were promised to Russia by a secret treaty.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—In a strongly anti-British article to-day the Novosti says:

"In consequence of the pretension of England to compensate herself for the Russian occupation of Port Arthur by the acquisition of Port Hamilton or Lazareff, and in view of the possibility of the disturbing action of Japan, Europe stands on the brink of grave diplomatic complications. It is therefore well to recall that the reinforcement of the German squadron in the Pacific permits Russia, France and Germany to effectively prevent the disturbance of the balance of power between the three powers on the one hand, and Great Britain and Japan on the other, such as might be produced by violent seizures of territory."

In conclusion the Novosti expresses the hope that the isolation of Great Britain in regard to the other European powers will paralyze her action sufficiently to permit the preservation of peace from the dangers threatening at the present moment.

London, Dec. 21.—According to special dispatches received from Shanghai, the British Squadron will make a demonstration at Chee Foo, on the north coast of the Shan Tung promontory, as a warning. It is supposed that Great Britain intends to oppose the division of China without consulting her. It is reported that Russia has offered China a loan to pay off the war indemnity.

It is believed, says the dispatch, that Japan and England are acting in concert to reserve China from disintegration, favoring the idea of a protectorate over Central China, with a capital at Nanking.

A German-Chinese commission has been arranged, according to a dispatch from Shanghai to the Daily Mail, to settle the boundary of the occupied district at Kiao Chau, and it is evident therefore, that the occupation will be permanant. The same despatch says it is rumored inShanghai that the British intend to occupy Talienwan, south of Port Arthur, in order to guard the gulf or Pechili.

The Daily Mail's correspondent at Tokio says there is no excitement there over the news from Port Arthur. The press is calm and the public is indifferent. It is rumored also, the despatch alleges, that a large Russian military force has come overland from Siberia.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—The Cologne Gazette embarrassed the goverment to-day by declaring that the other powers would soon follow the example of Germany and Russia now that the partition of China had actually commenced. Other papers have expressed opinions in a similar strain. It has been hinted that Prince Henry's destination is another point than Kiao Chau and that he will receive the supreme command of the China seas. The Nord Deutsch Allgemeine Zeitung hastened to issue a denial of these assumptions, declaring that they were not warranted by facts.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—The Cologne Gazette maintains the accuracy of its statement yesterday that the Russian occupation of Port Arthur was connected with the visit there of the British warship Daphne, about a week ago. As a proof it points out that there were neither Russian ships nor Russian consul at Port Arthur at the time the Daphne visited the harbor, and it argues that Russia could only have learned of the visit there from Chinese complaints.

### ANOTHER LIBERAL VICTORY.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Legue, Liberal, was elected to-day in the federal bye-election for Nicolet by 240 majority.


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# CRIMINAL LIBEL.

**Full Report of the Proceedings Against Senator Templeman in the Police Court.**

**Prosecution Object to the Reading of Extracts from the London Newspapers.**

The well recognized advantage of preloding any specially attractive piece-de-resistance by a "curtain-raiser" of mediocre qualities which obtains in the theatrical world was duly observed yesterday in the city police court, which for the nonce was the theatre of interest in the city. Quite a crowd of people evinced their appreciation of the amusement and information to be obtained by an attendance at the court, and their appetites for the good things to follow were whetted by an unimportant charge against a Chinaman for an infraction of the health by-law, which charge the magistrate, much to the satisfaction of the audience, remanded very summarily until Thursday morning.

The gentlemen charged with criminal libel were early in attendance, Messrs. Coltart and Nichol, of the Province, and Senator Templeman, of the Times, accompanied by their counsel, occupying seats at the table throughout the proceedings. Mr. Archer Martin had been retained on behalf of Messrs. Coltart and Nichol, and Mr. F. B. Gregory on behalf of Senator Templeman. Mr. R. Cassidy, who appeared for the prosecution, arrived on the scene just in time to open the case against the Times when it was called; but the gentlemen by whom the information was laid, Hon. J. H. Turner and Hon. C. E. Pooley, did not enter the court until more than half of the evidence of the first witness had been given.

The following is a copy of the information:

(E.) Section 562.

SUMMONS TO PERSON CHARGED WITH AN INDICTABLE OFFENCE.

Canada:

Province of British Columbia,

City of Victoria.

To William Templeman, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia:

Whereas you have this day been charged before me, the undersigned, Farquhar Macrae, police magistrate in and for the City of Victoria, for that you on Saturday, the eleventh day of December, 1897, at the City of Victoria aforesaid, unlawfully did publish in a certain newspaper called "The Victoria Daily Times," a defamatory libel on, of and concerning John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley, under the names J. H. Turner and C. E. Pooley, they the said John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley then being members of the provincial legislature of British Columbia, and members of the executive council of the said province, that is to say the said John Herbert Turner being the minister of finance and agriculture, and the said Charles Edward Pooley being the president of the executive council of the said province, which libel was in the words following, that is to say:

Then follows the article complained of.

And which libel was written in the sense of imparting that the said John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley as such minister of finance and agriculture and president of the provincial executive council, respectively, had each of them betrayed the public trust reposed in them, and that they as such minister of finance and agriculture and president of the executive council, respectively, are bribable and have received bribes, and that they did put and are prepared to put the plans and purposes and secret information of the said executive council and government of the said province, of which they are members, at the disposal of a certain commercial company or companies with which they are connected, and that they are lending such their official influence and official knowledge as such members of the said executive council to the promotion of companies of a questionable character (meaning in regard to honesty), for a valuable consideration, direct or indirect, to a large amount paid or given or to be paid or given by such companies to each of them, the said John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley; therefor, and that such their conduct constituted a corrupt bargain and sale of themselves and prostitution of such their public offices for their own private gain as men in high places (meaning their said places as such minister of finance and agriculture and president of said executive council); and that the said John Herbert Turner and Charles Edward Pooley each of them as such minister of finance and agriculture and president of said executive council, and as such members of the legislature of the province of British Columbia, is dishonest and corruptly accepted or obtained or agreed to accept or attempted to obtain for himself money or valuable considerations on account of something done or omitted, or to be afterwards done or omitted by him in his capacity as such member of the said legislature and of the said executive council.

These are, therefore, to command you, in Her Majesty's name, to be and appear before me on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the police court in the city hall building, situate on the corner of Douglas and Pandora streets, in the said city of Victoria, or before such justice or justices of the peace for the said city of Victoria as shall then be there, to answer to the said charge and to be further dealt with according to law. Hereth fail not.

Given under my hand and seal this 17th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, at the city of Victoria, aforesaid.

F. MACRAE, P.M.,
City of Victoria.

The case against Senator Templeman was the first called. Mr. Gregory rose and stated that he appeared for Mr. Templeman, and the magistrate asked Mr. Templeman to stand up. The senator complied with the request, and the magistrate, without reading the information, informed him that he was charged with publishing in the Times of the 11th December, 1897, a defamatory libel upon the Hon. J. H. Turner and the Hon. C. E. Pooley.

Mr. Cassidy stated that he appeared for the prosecution and said: "I would ask my friend who appears for the defence whether he admits the publication of the Times newspaper by Mr. Templeman.

Mr. Gregory—"I am not aware that Mr. Templeman does publish the Times. I would like to ask Mr. Cassidy under what section of the code the information is laid."

Mr. Cassidy—"Oh, that is for my friend to——"

Mr. Gregory—"Perhaps my friend does not know himself."

His honor ruled that Mr. Cassidy need not specify further.

Mr. Gregory—"I would also like to point out that they do not allege in the information that the so-called libel is false. I don't suppose my friend will admit that the statements complained of are true, and I would like to give him a chance to amend the information if he wishes to do so."

Mr. Cassidy—"The libel is defined as a defamatory libel and that in itself is enough, which my friend knows if he knows anything at all."

Mr. Gregory—"Mr. Cassidy has altogether missed the point I am trying to make. There is no allegation that the alleged libel is false in the information and unless he is willing to admit that the statements complained of are true it seems to me that he should be willing to accept the opportunity of amending the information, which I am willing to allow him to do. I notice that in this letter, which he wrote to Senator Templeman, he states that his clients are coming into court to vindicate their public and private honor."

Mr. Cassidy—"I object to Mr. Gregory reading from the letter."

Mr. Gregory—"I have never heard that counsel could not read from a letter written by the counsel of the opposing side. I suppose you are going to put this letter in as evidence?"

Mr. Cassidy—"Yes, I will put it in."

Mr. Gregory—"It would not help Mr. Cassidy's clients to vindicate their honor unless they are anxious to prove that the libel is false, but if Mr. Cassidy is satisfied with the information, I, and I presume his clients, are, although I don't see them in court here this morning. Are they coming?"

Mr. Cassidy—"The public, represented by this information, are my clients."

Mr. Cassidy called his first witness.

George Denny, sworn.

Witness—I reside at 128 Pandora street; my occupation is that of a reporter.

(Examination by Mr. Cassidy.)

Q.—"Are you employed on the Victoria Daily Times?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Q.—"Who is the manager of that paper?"

Mr. Gregory objected to the question in that shape; he must first ask if he knows who the manager is.

Mr. Cassidy—"I ask you, do you know who is the manager of that paper?" A.—"I presume that Mr. Templeman is, but I don't know of my own knowledge. I presume he is. I was not at the meeting of directors at which he was appointed."

Mr. Cassidy—"Do you mean Senator Templeman?" A.—"Yes."

Q.—"The defendant in this action?" A.—"Yes."

Q.—"Who acts as manager?" A.—"Mr. Templeman."

Mr. Cassidy—"Do you know whether Mr. Templeman writes articles for that paper or not?" Witness—"I don't know if he does or not."

Mr. Cassidy—"Do you mean to say that you don't know whether he writes any of the articles which appear in the Times or not?" The magistrate—"He had already said he doesn't know. (To the witness)—"Do you know?" Witness—"I don't."

Mr. Cassidy—"Who does write the articles?"

Mr. Gregory—"I object. He must specify such articles as have a bearing on the case."

Mr. Cassidy—"Who is the editor?"

Mr. Gregory—"I must object to that. It is necessary for him to find out first if there is an editor."

Mr. Cassidy—"I must point out to your honor that I am obliged to adopt this process of examination; I am trying to find out who the man is who writes the articles, by a process of exclusion."

His Honor—"You can ask him who is the editor." Witness—"I cannot say who was appointed as editor of the Times."

Mr. Cassidy—"You mean to say this, that you cannot say who the editor is because you don't know who was appointed by the directors to fill that position."

Mr. Gregory objected on the ground that counsel had no right to attempt to discredit his own witness nor to subject him to cross-examination.

Mr. Cassidy—"The whole matter is for your worship to decide as to what is and what is not cross-examination. Your worship understands that I am calling a witness from the camp of the other side and I am trying to get his evidence in the way that your worship knows." (To the witness)—"Do you know who acts as editor of the Times?"

Mr. Gregory—"My learned friend is bound first of all to find out if there is one."

Witness—"The Times office is in a rather peculiar position at present in regard to this point. We have an editorial writer; I don't know if you would call him the editor."

Mr. Cassidy—"Yes, I presume the Times is in a rather peculiar position."

Mr. Gregory—"They are something like your clients."

Mr. Cassidy—"You say there is an editorial writer. Who else?" A.—"A couple of reporters."

Q.—"Who are they?" Witness (not catching the last question)—A proof reader, a telegraph editor, and, I should think, there are about fifty newsboys."

Mr. Gregory—"And a hundred thousand readers of the Times."

Mr. Cassidy—"But the newsboys are not on the staff, are they?"

Witness—"You did not say on the staff, and as you said you wanted me to tell you all there were, I included them."

Mr. Cassidy—"And there is a manager?" A.—"Yes, a manager."

Q.—"Who is the editorial writer?" A.—"Mr. Graham writes the editorials."

Q.—"What is his first name?" A.—"Thomas Graham."

Q.—"And what is the name of the proof reader?" A.—"Dr. Hathaway."

Q.—"Who is Mr. McIntyre?" A.—"A bookkeeper and business manager."

Mr. Gregory (interposing)—"Do you want to know the names and business of all these people?"

Mr. Cassidy—"And who is the head?" A.—"Mr. Templeman."

Q.—"Mr. McIntyre sometimes stands in behind the counter in the office, which is open for the public?" A.—"Sometimes."

Q.—"And sometimes sells to the public the Times newspaper?" A.—"Yes."

(Cross-examined by Mr. Gregory.)

Q.—"The Times is published by the Times Printing & Publishing Company, is it not, Mr. Denny?" A.—"Yes."

Q.—"Are you a shareholder in that company?" A.—"No."

Q.—"So you really don't know anything about the management of that company?" A.—"Not the least thing."

Q.—"Your sole duties are those of a reporter?" A.—"Yes."

Hugh Robertson McIntyre called.

After being sworn the witness testified that he was a bookkeeper, residing in Victoria West.

Examined by Mr. Cassidy.

Q.—"You heard the evidence given by the last witness, Mr. Denny?" A.—"No, I did not hear it."

Q.—"What is your position on the Times?" A.—"A bookkeeper."

Q.—"Anything else?" A.—"Collector sometimes."

Q.—"Business manager?" A.—"No, sir."

Q.—"Who is the manager of the Times?" A.—"Mr. Templeman."

Q.—"That is, he bosses the show?"

Mr. Gregory—"No, no; if that is your way of expressing it, it is not necessary to try and make the witness use the same kind of expressions as you make use of."

Mr. Cassidy—"Well, what I meant is, is Mr. Templeman the head of all these people."

Mr. Gregory objected to leading questions, and Mr. Cassidy denied at first that the question was a leading one, but eventually admitted it was.

His honor called counsel to order and reminded them that they must address the court.

Mr. Cassidy—"Is there any other manager?" Witness—"No, not that I know of."

Mr. Cassidy—"I produce to you a copy of the Times of December 11th instant. Was that published in the Times office?"

Witness looked at the paper and hesitated.

Mr. Gregory—"Make sure of it; don't guess at it."

Witness—"I believe that is a copy of the Times."

Q.—"Have you any doubt about it?" Witness (hesitating)—"No."

Q.—"You stand behind the counter in the office of the Times sometimes, do you not?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Q.—"And sell papers when they are asked for, sometimes?" A.—"I do, sometimes."

Q.—"Do you know if that issue of the Times was published on that day?" A.—"Yes; I don't know about that particular paper."

Mr. Cassidy—"I mean that issue of the Times." A.—"I believe it was."

Q.—"From the Times office?" A.—"Yes".

Q.—"Do you remember selling a copy of the paper to Mr. Davey, here?" A.—"No, I don't remember."

(Cross-examined by Mr. Gregory.)

Q.—"Sometimes, Mr. McIntyre, you collect for the Times?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Q.—"Then, sometimes you do not?" A.—"Sometimes I don't."

Q.—"And sometimes you stand behind the counter?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Q.—"And sometimes you do not?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Q.—"Sometimes you sell papers?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Q.—"And sometimes you do not?" A.—"Yes, sir."

Mr. Gregory—"It seems a very peculiar way of going about it, but by the way the questions were asked it would of course seem that sometimes you did and sometimes you did not, and I don't see that my friend gained by the information. (To witness)—"The paper you said in answer to my friend was published in the place where Mr. Templeman is manager. Are you sure that this paper was not published from the office where Mr. W. H. Ellis is manager?" A.—"I can't say about this particular paper."

Q.—"You can't identify this particular copy of the paper?" A.—"No, sir."

Q.—"Do you know if Mr. J. H. Turner ever writes leading articles for the paper?" A.—"I don't know who writes them."

Q.—"Or whether Mr. Pooley, for instance, ever writes them?" A.—"I don't think so."

Q.—"Have you the least idea who does write them?" A.—"No, sir."

Q.—"The Times is printed in the building occupied by the Times Printing & Publishing Company, Ltd., Lty., is it not?"

Mr. Cassidy—"That depends upon the records; this statement is not evidence. We must have the best evidence of everything. Any paper can claim to be a limited liability company, but there are certain rules and regulations which must be complied with and the records must be taken to prove that in the regular way."

Mr. Gregory—"The place where Mr. Templeman is manager is the Times Printing & Publishing Co., Ltd., Lty."

Mr. Cassidy—"You can't call any place a limited liability company."

Mr. Gregory—"It is the Times Printing & Publishing Co., Ltd. Lty. is it not?" Witness—"Yes."

While the deposition was being read to the witness previous to his signing it, he said: "I cannot swear to the particular paper there without comparing it word for word with the copy on file in the office."

Mr. Cassidy—"Put that down."

Examination closed.

Arthur Davey called.

Witness (to the court)—"I am a law student and articled clerk in Mr. Cassidy's office, and reside on Burnside avenue.

Examined by Mr. Cassidy—"I produce and show to you a paper marked exhibit A. Do you know that?" Witness—"Yes, I purchased that from Mr. McIntyre, the last witness, in the Times office on December 13th, 1897."

(Cross-examined by Mr. Gregory.)

Q.—"How do you know that you purchased this particular copy?" A.—"I made a note on it of identification directly I returned to the office."

Q.—"Where is the note of indentification?" Witness took the paper offered to him by Mr. Gregory and showed the mark he had made.

Mr. Gregory—"Oh, you only marked one piece of it?" A.—"Yes."

Q.—"You didn't mark both?" A.—"No."

Q.—"So you can only swear to one piece of it?" A.—"That is all I marked, but I recognize the other piece."

Q.—"Has that paper been in your possession ever since you purchased it?" A.—"No, not in my possession, but it has been in the vault."

Q.—"Did Mr. Cassidy have access to it?" A.—"Yes."

Q.—"And other persons?" A.—"And other persons."

Q.—"And it is possible that the outside may have been changed?" A.—"Yes, it is possible, but the inside I will swear to."

At this point some diversion was caused by Mr. Gregory's objecting to Mr. Cassidy walking around the table in the neighborhood of the chair where witness was sitting, and Mr. Gregory asked Mr. Cassidy if he was afraid he (Mr. Gregory) was going to eat the witness or do him some injury. Mr. Cassidy said he didn't suppose Mr. Gregory was intending to indulge in other than forensic violence. Mr. Cassidy resumed his seat at Mr. Gregory's request.

Mr. Gregory (to witness)—"Who instructed you to purchase this paper?" A.—"Mr. Cassidy."

Q.—"And when you returned to the office you handed it to him?" A.—"Yes."

Q.—"Did he seem glad to get it?" A.—"He didn't seem to show any extraordinary joy about it."

Q.—"Any joy that was not extraordinary?" A.—"No; about his usual demeanor."

Q.—"Was he downcast at all about it?" A.—"No."

Q.—"Did anyone accompany you when you went to purchase it?" Witness did not appear to understand the question, whereupon Mr. Gregory said; 'Oh, I didn't mean a young lady. (Laughter.) I mean you didn't take anyone with you; didn't think it necessary to call a policeman?" A.—"Oh, no."

Q.—"Was Mr. Turner in the office when you returned?" A.—"No, not at that time."

Q.—"Or Mr. Pooley?" A.—"No, not then. They had been there several times."

Q.—"About how many times?" A.—"Oh, a number of times."

Q.—"About how many?" A.—"Do you mean since I bought the paper?"

Q.—"Yes; I suppose Mr. Turner was there a good deal?" A.—"Oh, yes; several times."

Q.—"Was there any meeting of the executive council in the office?" A.—"No, not that I know of."

Cross-examination closed.

Mr. Cassidy—"That is my case."

The court asked Mr. Cassidy if he had anything to say.

Mr. Cassidy—"No."

The court asked Mr. Gregory of he had anything to say.

Mr. Gregory—"I don't quite understand what Mr. Cassidy means."

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LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

Victoria, B.C., June 1st, 1897.

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Dated at Victoria the 8th day of December, 1897.

JOHN COBELDICK,
Applicant.

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W. T. MARSHALL,
W. E. WEIDLER.

Victoria, 18th November, 1897.

### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at its next sitting, for a transfer of the license held by me to sell wines and liquors by retail at the Hotel Victoria, situate on Government street, being Nos. 138-140, to J. C. Yost of said city.

A. R. M'DONALD.

Victoria, B. C., 8th November, 1897.

### NOTICE

Government street, between Courtney and Johnson, is closed to traffic until further notice.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.

# CRIMINAL LIBEL.

(Continued from page 2.)

The Court—"He has finished."

Mr. Gregory—"What, is he not going to call the men whose public and private honor he said he was going to vindicate?"

The Court—"He has a right to call whatever evidence he likes."

Mr. Gregory—"Well, there is one thing at least he must surely have forgotten; there is this letter written by him to the defendant, which he said he was going to put in evidence."

Mr. Cassidy—"Let me see the letter."

Mr. Gregory (holding the letter)—"Will you put it in without reading it?" Mr. Cassidy—"Yes."

The clerk entered upon the depositions, "letter from R. Cassidy to the defendant, dated 16th December, 1897, put in as evidence, exhibit B." Mr. Cassidy then took the letter from the clerk and after perusing it said he did not put it in because he said the letter was not evidence and that it would be absurd to expect a letter written by him to the defendant to be used as evidence, but added that he had no objection to Mr. Gregory putting it in.

The Court—"Let me see the letter."

Mr. Gregory then read the letter, as follows:

Victoria, B. C.,
December 16th, 1897.

Hon. William Templeman, Senator, Victoria, B. C.:

Sir—The Hon. Mr. Turner and the Hon. Mr. Pooley wish to know who is or are personally responsible for the publication in the Victoria Daily Times of January the 11th inst., of the article re-copied from the Province of the 11th inst., with the additional heading "Ministerial Decoy Ducks," and certain subheadings. They ask with a view of commencing a prosecution for the publication of that libel on them in order to vindicate their public and private honor.

The Victoria Daily Times is published by a limited liability company called the Victoria Times Printing and Publishing Company, but my clients in view of the following language in the article reprinted by the Times "The Province makes this assertion in all seriousness and with a full sense of the gravity of the language it employs," have no reason to suppose that those personally responsible for the publication desire to evade the issue. I am therefore instructed before commencing proceedings to ask you whether in regard to the publication in the Times you accept the responsibility, and whether others connected with the proprietorship of the Times are ready to share it with you.

The Victoria Times Printing and Publishing Company has failed to send to the Registrar-General of Public Companies a copy of a register containing the names of its directors and managers as required by sees. 98 and 109 (b) of the Companies Act, 1897. I must ask an immediate reply.

Yours obediently,
ROBERT CASSIDY.

Mr. Cassidy—"On second thought I have decided that the letter is not evidence and could not be put in. Nothing that I could say in a letter of that kind could affect the matter at all."

Mr. Gregory—"But you have already put it in."

Mr. Cassidy—"I say that the letter is not evidence. The gist of that letter is this, that Messrs. Turner and Pooley, having decided to prosecute, wished to know whether Mr. Templeman was willing to declare himself or whether he wished to shelter himself under the impersonality of a limited liability company. It is not evidence, and it would be very wrong for me to make any admissions of any kind."

Mr. Gregory—The letter has been put in by Mr. Cassidy already.

Mr. Cassidy repeated his determination not to put the letter in, on the grounds that it was not admissible as evidence.

The Court—Then, Mr. Cassidy, you do not wish it put in? Mr. Cassidy—No.

Mr. Gregory—But he said he would put it in, and did.

The Court—Yes, I think, if I remember rightly. Mr. Cassidy, you said you were going to put it in as evidence.

Mr. Cassidy—I did, but I have thought it over again; I rashly and inadvertently used the words, and now I regret it.

Mr. Gregory—Well, I still maintain that the letter had been put in, but if Mr. Cassidy throws himself upon the mercy of the court and upon my generosity he may possibly be able to get it out.

The court then ordered that on the depositions should be entered: "Mr. Cassidy now states that he did not intend the letter to be put in and the court allows him to withdraw it, to which Mr. Gregory objects on the grounds that it is already in evidence and has been read at the request of the court."

Mr. Gregory asked that the letter might be marked, so that he might identify it, and this was done. The court asked Mr. Cassidy if he had anything to say.

Mr. Cassidy—Nothing, your honor, but to ask for a committal. The court then called upon Mr. Gregory.

Mr. Gregory—I would again point out that my learned friend has not alleged that the statements of which he complains are false, and as he may have made another mistake in this respect, as he did in the letter, I want to give him another chance to amend the information.

Mr. Cassidy—I have no wish to make any amendment. Everyone knows the meaning which is applied to the words: "publishing a defamatory libel," and those are the words which are used in the information and a reference to the code will show my friend that what I claim is correct.

Mr. Gregory—I see that Mr. Cassidy is still in the dark. There are two offences; one of publishing a defamatory libel, and the other publishing a defamatory libel, knowing it to be false, the latter of which I presume he wishes to charge my client with. If he succeeds in convicting Mr. Templeman of publishing a defamatory libel, knowing the same to be false, under section 301 of the code, he might expect a penalty of two years' imprisonment and a fine of $400; whereas if he only convicts him of publishing a defamatory libel the defendant would be only liable to a penalty of one year's imprisonment and a fine of $200, and I thought it was possible that on re-consideration he would charge the other, and the more serious offence.

Mr. Cassidy—The words "defamatory libel" include the charge of its falsity; there is no such thing as an indictment under the code as charging a libel to be false.

Mr. Gregory—You will find a form of indictment for false defamatory libel at page 300, Taschereau's Criminal Code.

Mr. Cassidy examined the reference given to him by Mr. Gregory and found it as stated.

Mr. Gregory proceeded to address the court as follows:

"My learned friend says that he appears here on behalf of the public—a more absurd position has never been taken in this or any other court. His letter, already referred to, shows he is acting in the interests of Messrs. Turner and Pooley only; proceedings in a criminal court are never taken unless there is a danger of a breach of the peace. See Odgers on Libel and Slander, page 27, where it is stated that every subject has a right to comment on those acts of public men which concern him as a subject of the realm, if he does not make his commentary a cloak for malice and slander. (6 M. & W.108) Also those who fill a public position must not be too thin-skinned in reference to comments made upon them. It would often happen that observations would be made upon public men which they knew from the bottom of their heads were undeserved and unjust, yet they must bear with them and submit to the misunderstanding for a time, because all knew that the criticism of the press was the best security for the proper discharge of public duties.' (Per Cockburn, C.J., in Seymour vs. Butterworth, 3 F. & F. 376, 377 and other cases. See also Odgers at pages 433 and 444.) 'Not every publication which wound be held a libel in a civil case can be made the foundation of criminal proceedings. Hawkins in a passage cited apparently with approval by the court in Regina vs. Labouchere, 12, Q.B.D., at page 322, puts the whole criminality of libels on private persons as distinguished from the civil liability of those who publish them on the tendency to disturb the public peace. He says (I. Hawk, P.C., c. 28, s. 3.) 'The court will not grant this extraordinary remedy (a criminal information) nor should a grand jury find an indictment unless the offence be of such signal enormity that it may reasonably be construed to have a tendency to disturb the peace and harmony of the community. In such a case the public are justly placed in the character of an offended prosecutor to vindicate the common right of all, though violated only in the person of an individual.' And in a subsequent case Lord Coleridge, L.C.J., told the jury that 'the principles on which such prosecution should be allowed had been laid down by himself as the mouthpiece of a strong court in a recent case (the Queen vs. Labouchere) in which he had cited the opinions of great judges to this effect.' A criminal prosecution ought not to be instituted unless the offence be such as can be reasonably construed as calculated to disturb the peace of the community. In such a case the public prosecutor has to protect the community in the person of an individual. But private character should be vindicated in an action for libel, and an indictment for libel is only justified when it affects the public, as an attempt to disturb the public peace.' (Wood vs. Cox, 4 Times, L.R., at page 654.)

"There has been no danger to the public here. My learned friend does not pretend to say that he thinks his clients are going to take off their coats and attack Mr. Templeman, the office boy and all the Province staff. The alleged libel was published on the 11th of December; it is now the 21st inst., and the peace has not been disturbed. If the attorney-general wished to institute proceedings he would apply to the court for an information, and the practice has been to withhold the information unless there is danger of a breach of the peace. (Se Taschereau, p. 304, citing R. vs. Biggs, 2 Man. L.R. 18.) 'Where there is foundation for a libel, though it falls short of justification, an information will not be granted.'

"Then there is another objection which I submit is insuperable against my client being committed for trial, and that is that he must be connected with the publication of it, which has not been done in this case, (See Taschereau, page 304, citing 303, citing R. vs. Sellars, 6. L.N., 137.) 'It must be proved upon an indictment against the proprietor of a newspaper that the defendant was proprietor or publisher of the journal at the time of the publication of the libel. That he is such at the time of the trial is not sufficient.' My learned friend has entirely failed to show that Mr. Templeman is the proprietor or publisher of the Times, and he has only doubtfully established that he is the manager to-day. There is not one tittle of evidence to show that he had any connection with the paper on the 11th inst. Nor has it been shown that Mr. Templeman wrote or knew anything of the libel. He is not responsible and cannot be presumed to be responsible under Section 297 of the Code, because he has not been shown to be the proprietor. On the contrary Mr. Cassidy's own letter and two of his own witnesses have stated that the Times is published by a limited liability company. This objection was held to be fatal in the case of Attorney-General vs. Luxton, a newspaper report of which Mr. Martin has just handed to me." (Mr. Gregory read it.) "Now as to the libel itself, I contend that this libel——'

Mr. Cassidy (interrupting)—I would like—

Mr. Gregory (continuing): "I would like to draw your attention to the fact that the prosecution have not been either fair or honest. They have cut the article of which they complain in two, and charge my client with only a portion of it, omitting altogether that portion which could be taken as a mitigation of any charge they might have to make against any other portion, although they have put in evidence the paper containing the whole article." The portion omitted is as follows:

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The Hon. J. H. Turner is spoken of personally as being an honest man. His apologists excuse his shortcomings in the matter of company promoting on the ground that he is led into these schemes by his friends. He is easy-going and good natured and plunges rashly ahead without much thought when he is urged to do so by those in whom he puts confidence. This picture of Mr. Turner is hardly flattering. In order to accept him as an honest man we must also accept him as a weak tool lacking in perception and common sense, and the ability to make and take a firm stand. There is no escape from this conclusion. * * * In passing it may be asked if his action in telegraphing that the coal mines of the country paid a tax upon their output was the act of an honest man. If it was, then honesty has taken on a new meaning of late years. But whatever may be said about Mr. Turner, nobody suggests for a moment that Mr. Pooley is a weak sister. Mr. Pooley is—well, Mr. Pooley is Mr. Pooley. His friends cannot lead him into company promoting out of sheer good fellowship. Yet Mr. Pooley is permitted to retain his place in the cabinet * * *

That Extraordinary Interview.

But Mr. Turner himself does not agree with his friendly apologists in his estimate of himself as we find it sketched in the extraordinary interview in Sunday's Colonist. There Mr. Turner poses as a shrewd, farsighted man of affairs who has gone thoroughly into the prospects of the mining companies with which he has allowed his name to be connected and has satisfied himself that he is quite justified in throwing in his lot with them and in permitting the more active promoters to use him as a decoy duck for gathering in the public. His conscience is quite clear in the matter, and he thinks that the sharp criticisms of the London Times and Truth and other English papers of high character are due to the fact that some naughty British Columbians have got hold of the editorial ear and inspired the stirring comments. Does Mr. Turner really mean all this or is his "explanation" intended for a merry jest? Is it possible that this man who has been honored among his fellows sees no wrong in what he has done and has no feeling of shame, no sense of disgrace over the public ignominy that has been heaped upon him? It is quite true, as Mr. Turner says, that a public man has the right to engage in private enterprises, but he has no right to trade upon his official position as a minister of the crown to boom the shares of mining companies or to accept retaining fees from concerns requiring legislative favors. * * * * * * *

The British Investor Alarmed.

One of the points which Mr. Turner makes in his extraordinary interview is that in permitting his name to be used for the promotion of mining companies his sole object has been to get British capital into the country. Like the admiral in the comic opera, he never thought of thinking of himself at all. If we are to accept this plea at its face value, Mr. Turner himself must admit that he has failed signally in the attainment of his object, for denunciation of his action on the part of the British press has been so general that it cannot but have the effect of making British investors look with suspicion on any company which waves the ministerial names aloft. Indeed, several of the London papers have gone so far as to warn their readers explicitly against having anything to do with these companies. Instead of helping the influx of British capital, then, Mr. Turner has hindered it. His willingness to sacrifice himself by lending his name to any sort of company with a gift enterprise attachment in the matter of shares has scared the British investor off the field. He may not be familiar with all the details, but he thinks with his favorite newspaper that there is something wrong somewhere and accordingly he fights shy. Nor can we wonder at his doing so. British Columbians would do the same thing if the situation were reversed. Mr. Turner has only himself to blame if people look upon him with distrust; he has only himself to blame if the use of his name and that of Mr. Pooley, instead of strengthening the companies it is intended to bolster up, has weakened them. Greed is quite as apt to over-reach itself as ambition.

The Mask Torn Off.

The Province feels sorry for Mr. Turner. He is an old man. His head has been crowned with snowy hairs and his life with honors. Out of regard for him it would wish to tear the pages of this chapter of his life out of the book and leave nothing for the human eye to see but the record of an unsullied business reputation and his personal integrity. But unfortunately it cannot. A newspaper that respects itself must tell the truth and turn the awful searchlight of publicity upon the public acts of public men. Reading between the lines of the Colonist interview, one finds there nothing but the pitiful wailing of a politician from whom the mask of hypocrisy and humbug has been stripped, and who finds the burden of his shame hard to bear. It is pathetic, but the matter is too serious to let feelings of pity sway the judgment or blind the eyes to pitiless facts and logic. Think for a moment to what desperate mental straits this man must have been driven when he put forward the wretched excuse that the criticisms in the London press of his connection with the companies were inspired by his political enemies in British Columbia! How this could be the case when the comments in the London papers appeared immediately on the heels of the appearance of the prospectus and before anyone in this part of the world, with the exception of Mr. Turner and Mr. Pooley themselves, had the faintest notion of the company's existence, has yet to be explained. Does Mr. Turner think that his political opponents in British Columbia have the qualities which clairvoyants and hypnotists claim, enabling them to find out what is going on in other parts of the world at any moment and direct the actions of others to their own ends? Statements of this sort may do to gull children with, but they can hardly be expected to be taken seriously by rational men. But there is still time for Mr. Turner to do the decent, manly, honorable thing. Let him admit frankly that he has made a mistake and express his regret for it and throw himself on the mercy of the people. Let him take the public into his confidence and tell what rewards were received or expected for his connection with the mining companies. Honest confession is as good for the soul of the premier of a country as for any other man. If he cares to do that or if he cares to answer the criticisms of the Province on his conduct in this regard, it need hardly be said that the columns of this paper are open to him to reply. The Province has no wish to condemn any man unheard or say one word that is unfair or unjustifiable. Here is Mr. Turner's opportunity. The Province offers him the free use of its pages to put himself right before the public if he can.

Mr. Gregory then read the first part of a portion of the alleged libel pointing out that there was nothing defamatory about it, and proceeded. "Under Sections 292 and 293 of the Code, no one commits an offence by publishing any defamatory matter which he on reasonable grounds believes to be true, and which is relevant to any subject of public interest, the public discussion of which is for the public benefit, nor by publishing fair comments upon the public conduct of a person who takes part in public affairs. If this matter complained of is not fair comment and discussion then nothing is. This article arises out of the fact that Messrs. Turner and Pooley have associated themselves with a speculative company in London which has advertised itself throughout the length and breadth of Great Britain and the colonies, and the prospectus of which I hold in my hand. It occupies a full page in the Daily Telegraph and the same in the Times, and Mr. Turner's name appears as the prime minister of British Columbia, (which he is not) not once, but many times, and Mr. Pooley as the president of the executive council of the colony of British Columbia. It states that to the cautious investor the first and only desideratum is that members of the board who actively control the operations of the concern should comprise men of influence and high official standing. The directorate and advisory boards of this corporation, which includes the prime minister of British Columbia has been specially selected to fill these conditions. The company has been formed for the purpose of acquiring lands, timber, etc., and other rights and concessions in British Columbia. With the opportunities which such a board of directors as that of this corporation will possess for obtaining early and reliable information as to the best sources of investment, this part of the corporation's business should, it is believed, prove a considerable source of profit.' Who grants these rights in British Columbia? Why, Mr. Turner and his government."

Mr. Cassidy objected.

Mr. Gregory—Is it getting too painful for you?

Mr. Cassidy—It would take up too much time to go into these matters in the police court, and I think Your Worship should make an end of it.

Mr. Gregory—You chose the court, Mr. Cassidy.

Counsel here indulged in banter and dissension, and Mr. Gregory continued: "I am endeavoring to show that this article is fair comment upon the acts of these public men, and in doing so I am quite justified in showing what the leading financial papers of London, the finance centre of the world, think of them."

Mr. Gregory read the article in the London Times of November 4th, which comments as follows:

"We recently thought it necessary to raise a protest against the too frequent acceptance by officials occupying high governmental positions in the colonies of directorships on the boards of local industrial or commercial undertakings. The objections to the practice are tolerably obvious. In the first place there is no doubt that the presence of a gentleman who is a member of the government of a colony on the board of a company carrying on operations within its territories or sphere of influence is certain to induce some people to suppose that the government is in some way responsible for the undertaking. Even persons who are not deceived in this manner are likely to think that the way of a company with such "influential" backing is likely to be made smooth in various modes which need not be specified. Now neither of these ideas ought to be encouraged at all. As to the first it might be argued that only very silly persons could entertain it; but the second is just the kind of notion to attract a considerable class of speculative investors, including not a few "clever" people to whom the possession of occult influence appears to be the chief road to success. In either case the expectations formed cannot or at any rate ought not to be gratified. The misleading influence of the names of colonial officials or investors is, however, only one of the evils which result from their presence on local company boards. It has a distinct tendency to injure the position of the men who accept these posts. They are deliberately placing themselves in a situation where their actions will inevitably be suspected. Questions may easily arise in which the premier of a colony who had accepted a seat on the "advisory board" of a commercial company would find a divided duty, and, whatever course he might adopt, he could not escape attack. We really do not know which alternative would be more disagreeable to a man of honor who had rashly placed himself in such a situation—to sacrifice his duty as a public man or to sacrifice the interests of shareholders who had invested their money on the faith of his name. We need not point out how exceedingly unpleasant his position would be in the event of the company failing, a not unexampled contingency even in the case of companies enjoying "official" patronage. It is said in some quarters that the colonial officials who take such posts are merely imitating men of high position at home. Even if this were true it would be no answer, or a very insufficient one to the considerations we have put forward. But the assertion is not true in substance. No member of the home government would now dare, even if he wished, to join the board of a new industrial company. On the contrary, it is the usual practice for public men in this country to resign their directorships even in old-established concerns when they take office. Until recently, no doubt, there was a certain laxity in this respect, and one or two men of high position have bitterly rued their imprudence in neglecting to withdraw from their directorships on becoming officials of the crown. But the feeling and practice on the matter have much improved of late years. It is most desirable that the members of the colonial governments should all abstain from putting themselves in positions where their conduct will be open to suspicion even when they act with the best intentions, and when they will frequently have to face a conflict of duty."

Mr. Gregory, continuing: "Note what the Times says: 'We really do not know which alternative would be more disagreeable to a man of honor who has rashly place himself in such a situation.' And again: 'No member of the home government would now dare, even if he wished to join the board of a new industrial company,' and this is what the London Times thinks of the identical company with which these gentlemen have associated themselves, and on the advisory board of which they are the men of 'high official standing.' Now, let me read you what London Truth of Nov. 4th says, and this is the paper of which the Colonist on the 14th November, 1897, says 'is not in the habit of upholding anything shady in company promotion.'"

Mr. Cassidy—I object, I object.

Mr. Gregory—Don't you want to hear it, Mr. Cassidy? Mr. Turner in his interview with the Colonist reporter says he courts the fullest enquiry.

His Honor—I do not wish to hear anything further from you, Mr. Gregory, except upon the point that these matters are not libellous.

Mr. Gregory—That is the point I am dealing with. I wish to show that the article is a fair comment upon the conduct of Messrs. Turner and Pooley.

A long discussion here followed in which the magistrate, Mr. Gregory and Mr. Cassidy took part, as to whether the matter was fair comment, and whether further extracts from English papers should be read, which resulted in the magistrate saying that he did not want to hear what Labouchere said, and ruled that Mr. Gregory could not read the comments of Truth, London Money Market Review, the Statist, Pall Mall Gazette, London Financier and other English papers and the Colonist of December 5th containing Mr. Turner's interview and the Colonist editorial upon the matter.

Mr. Gregory quoted Odgers on Libel and Slander to show that the defendant could require the plaintiff to put in as part of his case the whole article and any documents referred to, but without effect.

Continuing, Mr. Gregory said he would not go through the whole article which it was alleged was libellous, as there was positively no occasion for it, as the prosecution had entirely failed to make out a case. It had not been shown that the article was a libel; that it was published by Mr. Templeman; that Mr. Templeman had any connection with the Times at the time of its publication; that he inspired or knew of its publication; that he was at the time of its publication or now the proprietor of the paper, and that it would be just as reasonable to commit him (Mr. Gregory) as it would be to send his client up for trial, and he referred to the case of Regina vs. Hoolbrook et al., referred to at page 433 of Odgers on Libel and Slander, and reported in 4, Q.B.D., 42, which holds that the proprietor of a newspaper is no longer criminally liable for a libel which has appeared in it without his knowledge or consent merely because he has given the editor a general authority to insert what he thinks fit therein, and also in the case of R. v. Allison, et al., 16 Cox C.C., 559, holding that the directors of a printing company are not criminally liable, etc.

Mr. Gregory declined to call any witnesses, the usual formal questions were asked and the magistrate bound Mr. Templeman over to appear at the first court of competent jurisdiction and stand his trial, etc., himself in the sum of $500 and a surety in like amount. Mr. George Riley, who was in court, immediately volunteered as surety, and was accepted.

This decision was a total surprise to everybody in court, and it was noted that with the exception of the few lines read by Mr. Gregory the alleged libellous article was never once read—yet the magistrate immediately decided that it was a libel, and never referred to any of the cases cited by Mr. Gregory, or made even the slightest answer to them.


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## MR. KELLIE'S TRIUMPH.

Comment is hardly needed upon the interesting dispatch which the Times' correspondent at Revelstoke sends us today and which will be found in another column. Mr. Kellie, true to his word, has met his constituents at the earliest possible opportunity and the result must be as highly gratifying to him as it is satisfactory to all who are for good government in this province. It silences once and for all the government organs that predicted Mr. Kellie's constituents would not approve his course. Out of three hundred persons who crowded the hall, only six hands went up in favor of the appointment to which objection was taken. Mr. Kellie is now the representative of a constituency unanimously in opposition to the Turner ministry, but which elected him as a supporter. Mr. Kellie, therefore, is not the only conscientious man in the riding. The electors of the district have taken a course they will have no cause to regret, and they are to be congratulated for having as their representative in the house a gentleman courageous enough to stand up for his honest convictions. The only question now is: "Who among the dwindling band of government supporters will be the next to fling off allegiance."

## PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

Last week we published a verbatim report of a speech on preferential trade delivered by Hon. G. W. Ross, minister of education for Ontario, before a meeting of the British Empire League in Toronto. Hon. Mr. Ross's arguments were brilliant and his array of facts and figures showed that he had made a most careful study of the subject, for they covered the ground very fully. We believe with Hon. Mr. Ross that preferential trade with Great Britain would be a splendid thing for Canada, and we also believe with him that the whole question rests with the British people—will they grant it for the reasons so ably set forth by Hon. Mr. Ross or for any other reason? Preferential trade between Canada and Great Britain would lead to great improvement of the Dominion's commercial and industrial conditions. It would bring a great additional amount of British capital into the country and result in the opening up of Canadian resources in a way that no other means could accomplish. It would not only produce a much closer relationship with the mother country, but would be a distinctly strengthening element in the imperial tie. A stimulus would be given to all branches of Canadian trade, and no doubt one important result would be a greatly increased immigration of desirable settlers. The last-mentioned contingency would be a natural consequence of the multiplication of ocean steamships plying between Canada and Great Britain, and the drop in rates of passage that would be sure to follow healthy competition. Great Britain would very probably find that the goods supplied by Canada were fully worth the sacrifice that she would be called upon to make, for we believe that the quality of such products as Canada can supply in large quantities, such as dairy produce, fish, timber, fruits, vegetables and so on, is far superior to those which now come to the British market from European countries. Among the probabilities of this great increase of traffic between the United Kingdom and Canada would be an ocean cable under all-British control, and it might possibly save the Australian-Canadian cable from going into foreign hands. Railway development would also be greatly stimulated, and no great stretch of the imagination is required to see a rival to the C. P. R. brought from the east to British Columbia by way of the Saskatchewan wheatfields and northern Alberta. Then, doubtless the neglected Oriental trade of Canada would receive the necessary impetus, and Japan be added to Canada's short list of big customers. These are only a few of the things which would be likely to result from preferential trade between Canada and the United Kingdom. It remains to be seen what the mass of the British people think about it. What it means to them, temporarily at least, is, as Hon. Mr. Ross frankly admits, a slight increase of the cost of their food supplies. While not over-sanguine that the British industrial classes will submit to this there is always a chance that patriotic motives may weigh with them and induce them to grant it for the sake of stronger imperial bonds between the mother country and Canada. The British industrial classes are about as unsentimental as any going, but they are always amenable to argument, and may see that by granting preferential trade to Canada the ultimate results may be greatly to the benefit of their own country and the empire generally.

## ORGANIZED LABOR.

Concluding a paragraph on the subject of gratuitous overtime, especially as exemplified in the cases of bank clerks, shop assistants and other clerks, Mr. Labouchere in the current number of Truth says:

"This is simply one case of the eternal and universal conflict between labor and capital. If any one section of the great army of labor refuses, whether from stupidity or false pride, to fight under the common standard, to fall into line or to submit to discipline, it cannot expect to offer any resistance to the enemy. I am not preaching any seditious or revolutionary doctrine. I do not suggest that all the clerks in the London banks should forthwith start a strike fund and prepare to "come out." I only point out to them, and to others in the same category, what they may see exemplified, not only by the classes below, but by the classes above, by the barristers, solicitors and doctors, just as by the engineers, the postmen and the dockers—namely, that for any given body of workers under the present industrial and social organization to improve by one hair's breadth the terms on which they work, solidarity and combined action are the first things needful. Until every bank, office and warehouse employee has learned that truth, all must continue to pay what they are paying now, the penalty of disorganization."

There is no gainsaying the fact that organization has worked wonders in the cases of the engineers and other handicraftsmen, or that it could be made to do the same for the unfortunate clerk class who have always had to suffer a great deal of injustice at the hands of unscrupulous employers, for the simple reason that they dare not protest individually and will not combine to right their wrongs. It may be pointed out, however, that the danger of organized labor becoming tyrannous and unreasonable has been most strikingly displayed by the British engineers in the late prolonged strike. That is the chief evil which powerful organizations have to guard against—their proneness to use their giant power like a giant. Mr. Labouchere points into the two causes which operate to keep clerks unorganized: "(1) lack of spirit to combine for mutual defence and advancement; (2.) the false pride which leads so many hangers-on of the middle class to dissociate themselves from the aims and ideas of the working class, to which they properly belong." If clerks would only drop the futile struggle to ape the manners and dress of the class above them, and the trying to keep up a "genteel" appearance on the wages of a compositor or engine-driver, they would not have so much to complain about. Further, if they would unite with their brethren of the working classes the combination would be able to claim for its members a much fairer wage, and much fairer treatment in the matter of overtime at present exacted from them by employers without extra remuneration. The conditions of which the London clerks complain are not wholly unknown in British Columbia, and by all alike the advice of Mr. Labouchere should be taken into careful consideration.

The Revelstoke Herald, the paper in which Mr. J. M. Kellie, M.P., published his renunciation of the Turner government and all its works, says: "The electorate which chose a supporter of the government to represent them should have a right to say whether they now prefer to be represented by a member of the opposition, and it is Mr. Kellie's duty to them and to himself as an honest man, to give them an opportunity of doing so, which he can now only do by resigning." Mr. Kellie in his letter distinctly says that if his supporters are not pleased with his action he will resign. His supporters will be ill-advised if they compel Mr. Kellie to resign at the present juncture of affairs. But the feeling against the Turner ministry is now very strong in Mr. Kellie's district.

Americans now claim to rule the fruit trade of the world, and to have in New York the greatest fruit centre on the globe. California is the chief supply territory, as it produces everything from Injun turnip up to pine-apples and olives. In 1887 the bulk of the supplies of almost every fruit produced came from Europe to New York. Today America supplies Europe and has frightened the foreign growers badly. But there are several things Canada can beat California at—apples, peaches, small fruits and vegetables. When Canadians see their way to organize as Americans have done, Canada will be one of the leading fruit countries of the world.

Great Britain will celebrate the 1897th birthday of Christianity by adopting a new bullet, invented by a well known Birmingham firm. The bullet is of lead, and instead of having a conical top is level topped, with a cup-like cavity, carrying the expansive principle to its ghastliest extent. When that bullet enters the body of a man it will rip and slash his flesh like a dozen butcher knives, crush the bones, and leave him a corpse or hopelessly wounded. "Hark! The herald angels sing: 'peace on earth and good will among men!'"

The San Francisco Herald of Trade says that the sales of British Columbia salmon in the Eastern States have been so heavy this fall as to interfere seriously with the placing of the Alaska pack generally put upon the market. Consequently the axe has been among the prices and rates are low. It is satisfactory to find British Columbia thus carving out fresh markets for her products. We hope next year will see more of it.

"What's the matter with Mr. Kellie?" shouted the Colonist, and an echo from the mountains, voiced by the Rossland Evening Record comes back: "Mr. Kellie's all right." The Record is afraid the Turner government can ill spare a supporter at this time. That proves that the Record is all right on the political situation and the signs of the times.

Lewis Ginter, the famous cigarette millionaire of Richmond, Va., died recently in that city leaving a fortune of $10,000,000. He was a firm believer in advertising, and spent so much on it that he scared his partner out of the business, the partner getting $60,000 as his half. A few years later Ginter sold out to the American Tobacco Co. for $7,500,000. This would seem to prove that advertising, no matter how venturesome and elaborate, does pay.

With a sword in his teeth, a pistol in his left hand, a stiletto for a pen, blood for his ink, thunder on his brow, forky lightning in his poetic eye, and a Kilkenny shillelagh behind each generous ear, the Vancouver Wor-r-rld's epic writer hurls this evin bolt at the Opposition press: "Otherwise the slanderers and villifiers of that gentleman (Mr. James Dunsmuir) will be branded as colossal fabricators. Come, now, ye paid journalistic assassins, trot out your ance?"

Without wishing to quibble over the immaterial, let us remark that when the Colonist contends that its choice expression: "A lot more interesting" is more intelligible than the same idea clothed in grammatical terms and without the slang, we must ask the Colonist to step off the pedestal upon which it has elevated itself as self-elected literary critic. As we warned the Colonist once before, dogmatising in such matters is dangerous; like the knives of logic in clumsy hands, the wielder is more likely to cut himself than his opponents.

The Rossland Miner takes a tilt a la Don Quixote, into the libel suit now sub judice, as if it did not know, and did not care if it knew, that such comment is dangerous. The Miner may learn discretion when the lariat of experience encircles its feet and brings it down in full career some of those fine days. Sub judice, we may state for the Miner's enlightenment, means "keep off the grass."

## ENGLAND AND HER SHIPPING.

### Object Lesson for United States in Maintenance of Graving Docks.

Wherever the Union Jack floats, the British government, or a colonial government—which, for the object in view, is practically the same thing—has its splendid graving docks. The "morning drum beats that goes round the world" has its counterpart in the cordon of docks provided for British commerce and British battleships. One of the finest modern examples is the Esquimalt dock, near Victoria, British Columbia. This is a typical masonry graving dock. It was commenced by the government of British Columbia and completed by the Dominion of Canada, the imperial government contributing £50,000, in return for which Her Majesty's ships have priority of entrance and free dockage for 15 years. At this point the range of tides is very variable and uncertain, being about ten feet normally, but remaining practically level for days together. The capacity of this dock is 450 feet by 65 feet deep, with a depth of 29½ feet, sometimes increased by the tide to 30 feet. Its site was solid ground; the walls are of rubble concrete faced with sandstone; the alters and timber slides are of masonry. It is closed by means of an iron caisson, having a displacement of 530 tons and weighing 294 tons, besides 180 tons of concrete of ballast. The caisson is constructed with a lower chamber for water ballast, and an upper flotation chamber; it has two keels, which rest upon fixed rollers, over which it is drawn by steam power chains.

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22nd.

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The club has secured Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Hand to provide the entertainment, which will consist of sketches and character impersonations. Mr. A. Strickland and Mr. W. Anderson will contribute musical solos; Beatty orchestra will be in attendance. Admission 50c. Seats reserved at Lombard's Music Store without extra charge.


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FOR SALE—The fixtures, furniture and stock of the Hall Saloon, Fort street. Immediate possession given. Apply to A. W. Barnett, on the premises, or to Wm. Harrison, 67 and 69 Johnson street. aug12-tf

## TO LET.

TO LET—Furnished room, suitable for single gent. Near Pandora car. Apply F. M., Box 284, City. nov27-tf

TO LET—The Commercial Hotel, Douglas street. Apply R. Porter & Sons, Douglas street.

## AMUSEMENTS.

DON'T FORGET the Military Social dance at Drill Hall on Wednesday next. Tickets: gentlemen $1, ladies 50c. each; to be obtained of Secretary Grime, Sgt.-Major Mulcahy, at Drill Hall, at Hibben's Government street, or at the door Wednesday night.

GRAND TARGET and trap shooting match at Parson's Bridge on Thursday, December 23, for Turkeys, Geese and Sucking Pig.

## LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—IN the Cathedral schoolroom or on Rae and Blanchard streets, a diamond brooch. Finder will be suitably rewarded on returning to this office. de18-tf

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USE ADVENT FLOUR—A pure, fine whole wheat flour. Mrs. E. Hunt, Rockland Avenue, sole agent. Orders taken at Speed Bros.' grocery. dec 1-1m

JOHN MAXWELL, DECEASED—All persons having claims or demands on the estate of John Maxwell, late of Burgoyne Bay, Salt Spring Island, B. C., are requested to send the particulars to Mr. James Maxwell, of Burgoyne Bay, Salt Spring Island, or Mr. James Lunney of the same place, the executors. And all persons indebted to the estate are also requested to pay such debts to one of the executors above named. Dated 27th Nov., 1897. Bodwell, Irving & Duff, Solicitors for executors, 2 Broughton St., Victoria, B. C. no27

NOTICE OF REMOVAL—Dr. Frank Hall has removed to his new office building, No. 103 Yates street, just above Douglas street. nov25-1m

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## LOCAL NEWS.

### Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—For Xmas presents—Children's fur sets at the Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street. John Partridge. *

—Glassware just received and for sale cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co.'s 80 Douglas street. *

—Jackets, dress goods and hats at greatly reduced prices. The Sterling, 88 Yates street. Open every evening until Christmas. *

—You want a treat. Try the Queen's mincemeat, made from the recipe of the Queen's chef and manufactured by Her Majesty's chef, prepared by Okell & Morris. *

—The fact that Mrs. Holmes of Gordon Head picked a double handful of ripe raspberries from her garden last week goes to show that the climate of Victoria is far from a severe one.

—J. Horner & Co. are giving away a present with every purchase of one dollar and over for this week. Fans, purses, boys' and men's ties, boys' handkerchiefs, etc. Argyle House. *

—It is understood the salmon combination has been completed and the agreement signed. The object of the combine, which nearly all the large cannery firms have joined, is to regulate the disposition of the 1896 stock of salmon and also the regulation of the pack of next year, so that the market will not be glutted.

—Victoria Purple Encampment, No. 4, C.O.O.F., at their annual meeting on Tuesday evening, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Ancient Grand Master, Jas. Tagg; Noble Grand Master, R. Carter; Grand Scribe and Treasurer, W. F. Fullerton; Vice-Grand Master, B. Cooper; Grand Warden, W. H. Coutes; Grand Conductor, T. W. Carter; Grand Tyler, Jas. Welch.

—Another bank is shortly to be established in this city. At the Driard are a party of prominent Montreal bankers, representatives of Molson's Bank, a branch of which they propose to establish here. The party consists of Messrs. Wolferstan Thomas, general manager; Wm. McPherson and Samuel Findlay, directors; and H. Markland Molson. They have decided to open a branch in Vancouver. The party leave for the east by the Charmer to-morrow evening.

—Lovers of the artistic should not fail to see the windows of Geo. R. Jackson, 57 Government street. Here is displayed in the usual attractive style in which this firm displays its choice goods, the most attractive collection of nobby up-to-date neckwear, fancy bordered silk handkerchiefs the newest out, which this firm has ever imported. Several of these lines have just arrived to-day and are shown for the first time in Victoria. Those seeking presents should undoubtedly see this firm's special lines of motto and other neckwear, sold only by them, before purchasing presents.

—A large number of Victorians gathered at the Market Hall yesterday evening to see the horse taming exhibition given by Prof. Gleason. The exhibition was a most exciting one, as the two wild horses, Thunderbold and Siwash, mare, made a hard fight against the tamer. He was so far successful in obtaining the mastery over them that both were hitched to his wagon and after a short time were driven without much trouble. The horses were only half tamed yesterday evening, but before leaving the city Prof. Gleason says he will master them completely. Provided a few citizens will club together and get a number of vicious horses, Prof. Gleason says he will give another exhibition, the proceeds of which will be given to the poor of the city.

—A large number of friends of Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge gathered at the school room of the Reformed Episcopal church yesterday evening to celebrate the eightieth birthday of the venerable gentleman. Addresses were presented to the bishop by Rev. D. McRae on behalf of the Ministerial Association, and Mr. Thornton Fell for the First Presbyterian church. Senator McDonald, after a brief address, presented Bishop Cridge with a purse containing about $600, being made up of subscriptions, one of $200 from Mr. William Duncan, missionary at Methakatla, heading the list. An address, it was said, had also been forwarded by the Indians of that mission, but unfortunately it had not arrived. Music was rendered during the evening by the ladies' mandolin club, and Mr. Fred Richardson contributed a solo to the evening's entertainment.

—The numerous friends in Victoria of Mr. A. H. Scaife, formerly editor of the Province, will be sorry to hear that he does not intend to return here, at the same time rejoicing at the success with which he has met. His synoptical charts, on which he spent much time and patient study, are now finding places in many of the schools and offices in Great Britain, the eastern provices and the States, having in fact been adopted by the London, England, school board. This large demand for the charts makes it necessary for Mr. Scaife to devote his personal attention to the business of the publishing company, the Comparative Synoptical Chart Company, of London, Toronto and Buffalo, of which he is manager. The worst that his friends can wish him is that he will be always not more than a hundred miles from a good trout stream, where he can enjoy, during his leisure hours, his favorite sport. Mrs. Scaife and family will leave for the east shortly to join Mr. Scaife.

—This week we offer at cost ladies' jackets, waterproofs and wrappers. John Partridge, Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street. *

—As good as the name—the "Nugget" cigar. J. C. Meiss & Co. *

—Tom and Jerry at The Regent, corner Johnson and Douglas streets. *

Hotel Victoria, Victoria, strictly first-class. Rates $2 upwards.

Christmas books, albums, etc., at wholesale prices. Johnston Kirk block. *

—COD FISH—Genuine Newfoundland, at R. H. Jameson's, 33 Fort stret, Red Front Store. *

—Queen's mincemeat, as prepared by Her Majesty's chef, prepared by O.Kell & Morris. x

—The Sterling is now showing a full line of Christmas novelties at very reasonable prices. Open every evening until Christmas, 88 Yates street. *

—The Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church will hold a social at the residence of Mrs. N. J. Nott on Harrison street on Monday evening next.

—City Treasurer Kent still has a large amount of the admiral house tax fund for distribution among the ratepayers entitled to it. He is anxious to get it off his hands.

—The Northern Pacific and other transcontinental lines have now published rates on dogs and reindeer in straight carload lots from eastern points to Pacific coast terminals.

—Pabst Bohemian, from Milwaukee, the finest beer the world ever produced, on draught at 5 cents per glass, at the Bank Exchange, the coolest, cleanest, cheapest restaurant in the city. Never closes. *

—The Northern Pacific and Canadian Pacific will apply Nelson and Kaslo rates to Rossland after January 1st. In other words, all roads will make Rossland a common point with Nelson and other Kootenay points.

—All is now ready for the second ball of the militiamen, which will be held this evening at the Drill Hall. The street railway company have arranged for a late service of cars to take people homeward. The ball begins at 8:30 o'clock.

—Santa Claus is in the city, and this evening he will visit Centennial Methodist church, as he has a large number of presents for the children of the Sunday school in connection with that church. After the presentation a musical entertainment will be held.

—The whist tournament being held at the J.B.A.A. club rooms will be concluded on Thursday next. The prizes, three in number, one offered by Mr. H. D. Helmcken, Q.C., one by Mr. A. J. Dallin and a club prize, will be presented on New Year's eve.

—Arthur Shrapnel, a seaman, resident at Oak Bay, was charged in the provincial police court this morning with breaking and entering the warehouse of Hoen, Yuen & Co., at their ranch at Oak Bay, with intent to commit an indictable offence. He was remanded until to-morrow afternoon.

—The third monthly medal competition of the Victoria golf club for A and B classes will be held on Saturday next. Members will kindly signify in the usual manner their intentions of competing, namely, by entering their initials in the book kept for that purpose in the club house.

—Victoria Council, No. 2, R.T. of T., at their meeting yesterday evening elected the following officers: S.C., Bro. J. H. Yeo; P.C., Bro. H. Hall; Y.C., Sis. J. Morley; Chap., Sis. J. H. Yeo; rec. secty., Bro. O. J. B. Lane; fin. secty., Bro. D. McPhadden; treas., Bro. S. Mann; herald, Bro. John Whitfield; guard, Sis. E. Morley; sentinel, Bro. H. Hean.

—At the meeting of the Ladies of the Maccabees held yesterday evening the following officers were elected: Past Lady Commander, Mrs. McKilligan; Lady Commander, Mrs. Jackson; Record Keeper, Mrs. Myers; Finance Keeper, Mrs. McGregor; Chaplain, Mrs. Whitelaw; Mrs. at Arms, Mrs. Getchmann; Sergeant, Mrs. Crompton; and Picket, Mrs. Edwards.

—The annual tea meeting of the children of the Metropolitan Methodist church was held yesterday evening. After the young folk had satisfied their appetites an adjournment was made to the church, where the musical entertainment was held. A long programme was given, the best received number undoubtedly being the recitation, "The Last Hymn," by Miss Jessie Mallett. Prizes were presented to the winners of the recent examination, and in order to commemorate the anniversary a flash-light photograph was taken. The children each received a bag of candies as they left the church.

—On the steamer Corona, which sailed to-day for the north, were Mayor J. H. Davidson, Mrs. Davidson and Ald. Bradley, of Nanaimo, and Thomas Weir, of Quebec, all bound for the Klondike. The two other members of this party, John Davidson and John Stevens, left on the steamer City of Topeka a short time ago, and they will decide as to which trail the party will go over. When the party left Nanaimo Mrs. Davidson, who is the first Nanaimo woman to brave the terrors of the north, was met at the train by the choir of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, who presented her with an opal diamond ring. The party are taking up an outfit amounting in all to 25 tons, with sleeping bags, furs, etc. Two horses were taken up to pack the goods over to Lake Bennett, where boats will be built, and the party will camp until the ice breaks up in the spring.

—15 cent tea kettles, 15 cent dish pans and other cheap tinware at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street. *

—A visit to Weiler Bros during Xmas week is the treat of the season; verify this. *

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## SHIPPING NEWS.

### The Happenings of a Day Along the Water Front.

The steamer Corona, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., sailed early this morning for Skagway, Dyea, Juneau and Wrangel with a large number of passengers. She took up a few passengers from this port, but a large quantity of provisions, including a shipment of 14 tons of general provisions and 12 tons of bacon for the Northwest Mounted Police. Like the other vessels sailing of late to Lynn canal, the Corona had a large amount of lumber on board for Skagway and Dyea.

The sealing schooners C. D. Rand and Ada, which have been overhauled and prepared on Turpel's ways for their spring cruise, were launched this morning, and the schooners Director and Saucy Lass were hauled out. The whole fleet are now making preparations for their spring cruise, and the wharves of the upper harbor are lined with schooners taking on supplies.

The old steamer J. R. McDonald was towed back to her moorings in James Bay this morning from the Esquimalt marine ways, where she has been recaulked and repaired generally. It is understood the J. R. McDonald is to be used in the spring as a freighter between Victoria and Wrangel, Juneau, Skagway and Dyea.

Towards the end of January a new steamer, owned by the New England Fish Company, will arrive here from Philadelphia, where she was built, to engage in the halibut fishing in company with the steamers Coquitlam and Capilano in Northern British Columbia waters.

The British steamer Amarupoora, which sailed from Moodyville in November with lumber for Yokohama, has arrived at the latter port very much disabled. Her screw was broken, and in her long voyage of 22 days she had received quite a buffeting by rough weather.

The British ship Senator, Capt. Harrison, has been chartered to load lumber at the Hastings mills. Her destination has as yet not been fixed, out it will be a choice between Plymouth, England, and Sydney, Australia.

The bark Wrestler, Captain Nielson, sailed last evening for Departure Bay, where she will complete the discharging of her cargo of nitrate. She has 500 tons for the Hamilton Powder Works at that port.

—Another case of leprosy was discovered in Steveston three weeks ago, the victim being a Chinaman. There is said to be some friction between the provincial authorities and the powers that be at Steveston on account of the leper having been taken without permission to the station at Darcey island. It is also stated on good authority that the unfortunate was placed securely in a box which on the trip from Steveston to the leper station.—Vancouver World.

—The funeral of the late John H. Scafe took place to-day at 2:30 p.m. from Hanna's parlors, where Rev. Mr. MacRae officiated, and also at the cemetery. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Messrs. W. Clarke, A. Howell, F. Wood and H. Jones. There was a large attendance of friends and many sent beautiful floral tributes.

—The seats for the Scalchi operatic concert at the Victoria theatre to-morrow evening have been pretty well taken up. A crowded house will undoubtedly greet the great contralto.

—The Sir William Wallace Society will at their weekly meeting to be held tomorrow evening elect officers for the coming year.

### VULGARLY SPEAKING.

"I was conveyed," relented Love, in speaking of it afterwards, "on the dulcet strains of a flute."

The gods and goddesses exchanged glances. "On a toot," they exclaimed, as with one voice. "Why, the very idea!" The affair, in fact, made lots of talk in Olympus.—Detroit Journal.

—Many articles suitable for Xmas presents at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street. *

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### CONTROL OF KHYBER PASS.

How the British Turned the Afridis From Wolves Into Shepherds.

Khyber Pass had long a deplorable reputation. It is inhabited by a peculiarly savage tribe, the Afridis, more thievish and more inclined to play with the knife of the blunderbuss than the rest of the Afghans, which is saying a good deal. Until the agreement of 1882, being absolute masters of the passes, this amiable tribe lived there like a rat in its cheese, pitilessly levying toll on the poor caravans forced to submit to their exactions, for the only route to Kabul passes that way, the mountains everywhere else between India and the Ameer's country. When a caravan was so ill inspired as to be recalcitrated it paid dearly for it. Ensconced in their inaccessible eyeries, the Afridis leisurely and without difficulty or peril, shot down the unfortunate travelers. In a few minutes all were massacred and pillaged. As long as the victims were natives the English took little notice but a European having one day taken it into his head to go to see this famous pass, a too well aimed bullet made him pay dearly for his curiosity. The victim was one of the Queen's subjects and it was resolved on signal vengeance for the aggression. This proud policy proved terribly costly. The expedition of 1842 cost the blood of 15,000 men. In 1879 after a second accident of the same kind, rather different tactics were pursued. The Afridis learned at their own expense all the power of English gold.

When they were at last brought to reason, the government, as the first expedition had cost many men and the second much money, conceived the ingenious idea of changing these wolves into shepherds. It paid the Afridis to guard the passes themselves. The system has succeeded. The caravans are no longer pillaged, the route is as safe as possible—not quite as much as the Place de l'Opero or Piccadilly—but accidents are rare, and, as Darmesteter humorously says, "the Afridis have definitely entered on the path of civilization, which is the substitution of regulated for irregular exploitation." During fifteen years things have progressed. Without there being any species of assimilation, for the Afridis are now as independent as formerly, the English have improved their military or police organization. For some years these formidable brigands have been enrolled in a corp which has been named the Khyber rifles, under the control, if not under the immediate orders of Colonel Warburton, the eminent man whom England has luckily possessed for nearly twenty years in these difficult regions.—Revue de Paris.

"Say, wot der yer t'ink of Coxey now?"

"What's he done?"

"Wot's he done? Why, I followed dat feller all de way from Ohio to Washington. Dat's right. I stuck to him troo tick an' tin. He knows my sentiments every time. Wot's he done? Say, he's gone an' started a new party wid a platform which means "work for everybody." How's dat for ingratitude to his best frends, eh?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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## A VERY SAD SUICIDE.

Alexander Campbell Tired of Life—Lost His Wife and Son.

A. B. Campbell, an aged spiritualist of Rushville, Ind., committed suicide at a Clark street hotel last night. He took morphine and was dead when found. He had written a long letter to the Coroner and made a will bequeathing his few valuables to relatives. The suicide was about 65 years of age. He came to the hotel December 14th and registered from Santa Monica, Cal. He attempted recently to kill himself in Los Angeles, Cal. Failing, he returned home. His relatives and friends thought him of unsound mind. He was examined by the authorities and released as sane. His letter to the Coroner is in part as follows:

"I, Alexander B. Campbell, make this statement. My death will be caused by morphine, which I deliberately take with suicidal intent. This purpose was fully formed when I left Rushville and came to this city. The reason why I take my life is because I want to go to my wife and boy. I cannot live without their companionship. First my boy was killed. Then Lizzie died, and since then I have wanted to die also. I attempted suicide in Los Angeles. I did not take enough of the drug. I went to Rushville. They thought me insane because I claimed my wife was with me always. She is with me now and helping me. I do not care to live such a life. What few things I leave in my room may be sent to my brother, George W. Campbell, at Rushville. I bid all my friends good-bye.

"A. B. CAMPBELL."

A dispatch from Rushville, Ind., says: Gen. A. B. Campbell, who committed suicide in Chicago last night, had a remarkable career. He was the son of a Christian minister and was born in this country fifty-six years ago. Ten years ago he was the leading Republican of Kansas and Adjutant-General of that state. He was first prison chaplain at Leavenworth, Kan., then Adjutant-General under the Governor. He was a fine speaker and lecturer and was the possessor of a fortune of $100,000 when an accident occured that ruined his life. It was the sad death of his 9-year-old son, who was killed by the street cars in Topeka. He lost his property and with his wife went to Los Angeles, Cal., where she died three years ago. This last bereavement preyed so heavily on his mind that for a long time he was thought to be insane and was confined in an asylum, but subsequently released. Coming back to Indiana he began the practice of law in Rushville and stumped Rush and surrounding counties last fall for McKinley.

The Campbell family are descendants of Alexander B. Campbell, the founder of the Disciples' Church. Wood Campbell, manager of the Star Theatre at Cleveland; Rev. Walter S. Campbell and Editor George W. Campbell are brothers of Gen. A. B. Campbell.

## MINERS' OUTFITS

May Go Through to Circle City in Bond By a Carrier.

Washington, Dec. 21.—A response has been received to a recent letter from Secretary Gage to the Canadian commissioner of customs, requesting information as to the bonding of miners' outfits through Canadian territory, en route from Juneau, Alaska, by way of Circle City, Alaska. The commissioner says that the following regulations have been prepared to meet the case:

Imported goods, as above described, shall be reported to the Canadian custom house, Lake Tagish, and may be entered for exportation there in the usual form "in transit," in duplicate. The goods may then be delivered without payment of duty to be carried to their destination out of Canada by any transportation company which has duly executed a bond in the form prescribed by the minister of customs for the due and faithful delivery of all packages carried by such company and for the general compliance with the customs laws and regulations governing such traffic.

A duplicate of the entry in transit, duly signed and marked with the proper customs stamp, shall accompany each shipment of goods conveyed by a bonded carrier, so that the same may be returned to the custom house at Fort Cudahy, with a certificate thereon as to the landing of the goods in the United States, or of their having passed outwards from Canada within six months from date of entry.

If the goods when entered in transit for exportation are not delivered, to be forwarded by a bonded carrier, as provided in the last preceding section, the duty thereon is to be deposited with the customs officer at Lake Tagish, subject to a refund of the same at the port of Fort Cudahy, when the goods pass outward thereat, or upon the certificate of an officer of the United States within six months from date of entry. The duty deposited on such date is to be endorsed on the entry, duly certified and marked with the customs stamps, is to be delivered to the person making the deposit of duty. A report of such entry in transit shall be forwarded by mail without delay by the customs officer at the sending port to the collector of customs at Fort Cudahy for the collection of duties on the goods entered in-transitu and not duly exported.

The articles actually classified as traveller's baggage are to be passed free without entry. Commissioner McDougall, in a letter accompanying these regulations, says that they are framed with a desire to afford the utmost facilities for the traffic in question, compatible with security to the revenue. He further says:

"Responsible transportation companies will be soon in operation for the conveyance of goods over the Chilkoot and other passes down the Yukon river and its tributaries, in which case United States goods may go forward into Alaska without payment of duties."

I write this to let you know what I would not do: I would not do without Chamberlain's Pain Balm in my house if it cost $5 per bottle. It does all you recommend it to do and more.—J. R. Wallace, Wallaceville, Ga. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the best household liniment in the word, and invaluable for rheumatism, lame back, sprains and bruises. Be ready for emergencies by buying a bottle at Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

## THE SUSPECTED MURDERER.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Albert Hoff, accused of the brutal murder of Mrs. Mary Clute, continues to assert that he will be able to prove an alibi. He says that he is the friend of John R. McLean, of the Cincinnati Enquirer, and that McLean can vouch for his Eastern record. He also gives references to E. B. Addie, E. L. Gilmore and Arthur Pemberton, bankers of Cincinnati, and to Carl Schurz.

In answer to a question about his knowledge of Schurz, he said:

"I am the oldest friend that man has in America. We were in the German rebellion together, serving in the same company, and were both banished on account of our political affiliations. We came to this country on the same vessel."

The police intend to send his photograph to the chief of police in Chicago, as they believe he may have been mixed up in the Haymarket riots.

## TROUBLE EXPECTED.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—In mercantile circles of San Francisco much attention is paid to news from the Orient. The intelligence that a Russian fleet has occupied Port Arthur, following so closely on the news that Russia had obtained a firm grip on Corea, leads to the belief that active hostilities between the Mikado and the Czar cannot be long deferred.

It is regarded as significant that agents of the Russian government have recently made extensive purchases of army supplies in the United States for the garrison at Vladivostock.

A few days ago cable messages from Vladivostock via St. Petersburg were received in this city, inviting several firms to bid on an immense quantity of provisions. The merchants here anticipate a great demand for supplies to maintain the fleets and armies now assembling in the Orient.

## RECENT INVENTIONS.

Water will not spill out out of a new combined sponge cup and paper-weight, the receptacle for the sponge being connected at the bottom with a compressible bulb which can be filled with water to wet the sponge when the bulb is squeezed, the reaction drawing off all the water not taken up by the sponge.

Time lamplighters which can be used in connection with an ordinary alarm clock have a hammer which is drawn back and set and a match slipped into a casing on a line with a wick to be lighted, the alarm mechanism releases the hammer, which pushes the match through a currugated passage and ignites it.

A recently patented paper-hanging machine is composed of a table, hangers depending therefrom, a paper roller adjustably journaled in the hangers, a paste-distributing roller and a paste pan supported by the hangers to prepare the paper as fast as it is unrolled and pulled up on the table for cutting.

A Hungarian woman has patended an ice bicycle which has a runner attached to the front fork, with a fluted roller supported by a pair of rods extending to the shaft of the rear wheel and held in place by a brace attached to the crank hanger, the roller being revolved by a chain geared to the crank axle to propel the bicycle.

In a recently designed writing desk a base resting on the floor carries a single pillar which supports the top, consisting of a flat section with a sliding double back, having clamps at the outer edges to hold an open book, the back being formed so that it rests on a level with the desk when not in use. A side projection carries another book holder and a second pillar at the back of the desk supports a copy holder.—Chicago News.

So thorough is the excellence of Ayer's Hair Vigor that it can be used with benefit by any person, no matter what may be the condition of the hair, and, in every case, it occasions satisfaction and pleasure, in addition to the benefit which invariably comes from its use.

**Women with pale, colorless faces, who feel weak and discouraged, will receive both mental and bodily vigor by using Carter's Iron Pills, which are made for the blood, nerves and complexion.**

Hunston—I'd like to go shooting tomorrow, if I could only get a dog that was well trained.

Ethel—Oh, I'll let you take Dottie then! She can stand on her head, and shake hands, and play dead, and say her prayers, and do lots of things.—Puck.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

CURE

Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

SICK

Headache, yet CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels even if they only cured

HEAD

ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick head

ACHE

is the bane of so many lives that here is where we make our great boast. Our pills cure it while others do not.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills make a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not gripe or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them. In vials at 25 cents; five for $1. Sold everywhere, or sent by mail.

CARTER MEDICINE CO., New York.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

The Patent Felt Mattress, $15.00

is equal to the best $40.00 Hair Mattress in cleanliness, durability and comfort. The best houses and thousands of institutions in the United States have adopted the felt mattress in preference to hair on account of it being more sanitary, vermiproof, more durable as it never loses its shape, packs, or gets lumpy; and cheaper.

If you wish to try one write us the exact size of your bed (inside measure), and the name of your furniture dealer; and the mattress will be delivered at your door free of transportation charge and if not satisfactory in every respect at the end of thirty days free trial, we shall refund your money.

References: The Merchants' Bank of Halifax or any wholesale Dry Goods House in Canada.

THE ALASKA FEATHER & DOWN COMPANY, Limited, 290 Guy St., Montreal, Que.

## TREES IN GOVERNMENT GROUNDS.

To the Editor: It is gratifying to find that the notice of this matter in the Times has aroused general attention to the importance of saving to the public the few trees that still lend their charm to Victoria. Government ground, with its picturesque buildings and park-like surroundings was, until recently one of the few remaining beauties visible from the water and the business centre that could be seen by visitors and enjoyed by the daily toilers in their walks to and from business. The new buildings, imposing in themselves, hardly harmonize with the site, and the instant you peep around the corner you find a regular back-yard look, surrounded by a howling wilderness that a few years back was peace and beauty. Here, indeed, trees are required to hide up its ugliness and the sooner it is hidden up the better. The beautiful sycamores on either side of the Douglas monument have been ruthlessly and wantonly destroyed. There is certainly nothing worth noticing in the monument, but seen amongst the trees its ugliness was less offensive to the eye, the lopping of a few branches would have met the necessities of the case. There is no excuse for this wanton destruction of public property but lack of judgment and taste. There is a talk, too, of the destruction of that grand group of poplars at the corner, one of the landmarks of Victoria. I do most certainly protest against this. They are realy a grand feature in the landscape, and tend greatly, by their tall, graceful lines, to set off the buildings behind by contrast. Whether as seen quietly basking in the early summer sunshine and swaying gracefully before the breeze or bending to the storm, their movement and appearance are majestic and delightful to the eye. Victoria is said by visitors to be beautiful and we are fond of hugging ourselves with the idea that we made it so. There are not half a dozen architectural or artistic looking buildings within the fire limts that any person of travel, art, or cultivation would care to look at a second time; our streets too, are a disgrace, therefore, if its beauties must be those which nature made for us which yet remain undestroyed. The houses of our residents are, as a rule, small and poor compared to a place like Tacoma, for instance. There you may ramble along long lines of beautifu shady streets in which nearly every house is an artistic study worth close examination and thoroughly enjoyable, giving to the town, with its well kept roads and sidewalks, an appearance of luxury and prosperity in painful contrast to Victoria. Pray sir, therefore raise your voice for the keeping ing of all our shade trees and planting more wherever it can be done. Maintain all the beauties we have with the utmost jealousy and foster them with judgment and care.

THOS. C. SORBY.

21st Dec., 1897.

## ADVERTISING TALK.

The Marion (Ind.) Leader is interviewing its advertisers on the subject of advertising. It makes an interesting series. Following are the questions propounded to Mr. Barley, of the firm of Miller & Barley, dry goods, and the answers he gave to them:

"At the inception of your firm's business, Mr. Barley, you used but a small space in the papers. Do you think it paid in proportion as the half-page you are now using?"

"I know it did not."

"If you had a small store now, would you use newspaper space?"

"I should assuredly use space in proportion to the number of lines of stock carried."

What proportion of your gross receipts do you spend for advertising?"

"I intend to spend 3 per cent."

"Do you have a system of checking your ads to tell where the results come from?"

"Not now, though I am working on a plan that I think will practically be perfect."

"How often do you think changes should be made?"

"That varies with the objects aimed at. Twice a week always, sometimes oftener."

"In writing your ads do you dwell long on style, detail, praise of the goods, etc?"

"In advertising special bargains make the ad as brief as possible and tell the facts. At other times I usually go into details."

"In buying your space how do you determine the values of the different papers and how much space you will use in each?"

"The value to us depends largely upon circulation, and that we find out in different ways, but we generally think we know what we buy, and then use in proportion as we find the circulation."

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A sign in a cigar store reads: "One cigar, 5 cents; two cigars, 5 cents; three cigars, 5 cents."

A hardware store has a window attraction in the shape of an imitation clock. The hands are nails and the hours are represented by keys, screws and such fixings.

On the face of a large clock in front of an express office is painted in red: "Always on time."

A medicine for gargling is advertised "to knock the spots out of your throat."

A window sign: "Keep your shirt on by using Barnes' collar buttons."

"Good times," is in a jeweller's window full of watches.

"Here are some nuts to crack," is a placard over a bag of walnuts.

"Buy it here," advertises a store.

"Tired? Come in and rest," is a corner drug store's invitation.

"If the shoe pinches, I will fix it," is a cobbler's sign.

"There will be a hot time with our stoves this winter," declares a hardware store.—C. E. Severn in Printer's Ink.

## LAND FOR SOLDIERS.

Worcestershire's county council is the first in England to make use of the power to provide laborers with land which the agricultural holdings act gives it. A farm of 145 acres has been bought and broken up into smaller lots of from 2½ to 8 acres. Purchasers must pay one-fifth down, but have 40 years in which to repay the other instalments.

Are You Too Stout?

If so, send at once for a supply of Professor Compton's "ANTI-FAT PELLETS." They cause a permanent reduction of from 6 to 7 lbs. weekly, without inconvenience. No alteration of diet needed. They are successful in the most stubborn cases, and greatly improve both health and figure. Absolutely genuine and trustworthy. Numerous testimonials. Sent anywhere upon receipt of Five Shillings, with full instructions, and valuable information. Address—Professor H. COMPTON, 146d, Dorset Road, South Lambeth, London, England.

First-class Athletes and Racers use ADAMS' Tutti-Frutti GUM.

It gives staying power banishing fatigue and thirst.

See that the trade mark name "Tutti Frutti" is on each 5c. package.

All others are Imitations. 1y8

FREE FREE. Send your address (write plainly) to Adams & Sons Co., 11 & 13 Jarvis St., Toronto, Can., and one Tutti Frutti wrapper, and you will receive two beautiful paper dolls with movable heads and bodies free.

C. P. N. CO'Y, Limited.

Str. TEES

(Meyer, Master,)

will leave Turner, Beeton & Co.'s wharf for

Wrangel, Juneau, Skagway, Dyea,

And Northern British Columbia Ports. Calling at Vancouver and Nanaimo.

On Monday, December 27, at 8 p.m.

For freight or passage, apply at the office of the company, 64 Wharf street, Victoria, B. C.

The company reserves the right to change this time table at any time, without notification.

dec16 JOHN IRVING, Manager.

THERE IS ONLY ONE DIRECT ROUTE —TO— Eastern + Canadian and U.S. Points

You save time and money by travelling via the

CANADIAN PACIFIC RY.

—AND—

SOO PACIFIC RAILWAY

The only line running through first class sleepers, tourist, dining and day coaches from

Pacific to Atlantic Without Change.

For full particulars as to rates, time, etc., apply to

E. J. COYLE, D. P. A., Vancouver. GEO. COURTNEY, Agent, Victoria

General Steamship Agency.

Through Tickets to and from all European Points.

FROM ST. JOHN.

Beaver Line, Gallia.....Jan. 12
Beaver Line, Lake Winnipeg.....Jan. 19

FROM PORTLAND, ME.

Allan Line, Parisian.....Jan. 8
Allan Line, Laurentian.....Jan. 15
Dominion Line, Scotsman.....Jan. 19
Dominion Line, Labrador.....Feb. 2

FROM NEW YORK.

Cunard Line, Campania.....Jan. 8
White Star Line, Teutonic.....Jan. 12
White Star Line, Britannic.....Jan. 19
American Line, New York.....Jan. 12
American Line, Paris.....Jan. 19
Red Star Line, Southwark.....Jan. 12
Red Star Line, Berlin.....Jan. 19
Allan State Line, Corean.....Jan. 6
Allan State Line, State of Nebraska..Jan. 8
North German LLoyd Line, Trave..Jan. 11
North German Lloyd Line, Lahn...Jan. 18

For lowest rates, sailing lists, berths and tickets, plans and all information apply to

GEO. L. COURTNEY, General S.S. Agent, Victoria, B.C. Cor. Fort and Government Sts.

## TRANSPORTATION.

OCEANIC Steamship Company. FOR Hawaii, Samoa, New Zealand and Australia.

S.S. MOANA sails Thursday, January 6th, 1898, at 2 p.m.

S.S. AUSTRALIA, for HONOLULU only, Tuesday, December, 28th, at 2 p. m.

Line to COOLGARDIE, Aust., and CAPE TOWN, South Africa.

J. D. SPRECKELS & BROS. CO., Agents, 114 Montgomery St.

Freight Office, 327 Market St., San Francisco.

Victoria & Sidney R'y

Trains will run between Victoria and Sidney daily as follows:

Leave Victoria at.....7:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m.
Leave Sidney at.....8:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m

SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS:

Leave Victoria at.....7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m.
Leave Sidney at.....8:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

Puget Sound & Alaska Steamship Co

TIME CARD No. 13.

Effective August 24th, 1897. Subject to Change Without Notice.

Str. City of Kingston

FROM TACOMA, DAILY (EXCEPT SATURDAY).

Leave Tacoma ..... 8:00 p.m.
Leave Seattle ..... 10:00 p.m.
Leave Port Townsend ..... 1:30 a.m.
Arrive Seattle ..... 9:45 p.m.
Arrive Port Townsend ..... 12:45 a.m.
Arrive Victoria ..... 3:45 a.m.

FROM VICTORIA DAILY (EXCEPT SUNDAY).

Leave Victoria ..... 8:00 a.m.
Leave Port Townsend ..... 11:00 a.m.
Leave Seattle ..... 2:15 p.m.
Arrive Port Townsend ..... 10:45 a.m.
Arrive Seattle ..... 1:45 p.m.
Arrive Tacoma ..... 4:00 p.m.

WALTER OAKES, Superintendent.

NORTHERN PACIFIC

..TO.. Spokane, Rossland, Nelson, Kaslo, Sandon, Grand Forks, Kettle River, Helena, Butte, St. Paul, Chicago, and all points East and South

..RUNS.. PULLMAN SLEEPING CARS, ELEGANT DINING CARS, UPHOLSTERED TOURIST SLEEPING CARS.

The Quickest All-Rail Route ..TO.. ROSSLAND KOOTENAI and KETTLE RIVER MINING DISTRICTS.

..ONLY..

22 hours to..... Spokane.
31 hours to..... Rossland.
33 hours to..... Nelson.
36 hours to.....Kaslo and other points.

Through tickets to Japan and China via the Northern Pacific Steamship Company.

For all information, time cards, maps, etc., call on or address:

E. E. BLACKWOOD, Freight and Passenger Agent, Victoria, British Columbia.

A. D. CARLTON, Assistant General Passenger Agent, 225 Morrison street, Portland, Ore.

Going to Chicago or Anywhere East?

If you are, see that your ticket from Minneapolis, St. Paul to Duluth reads via

THE NORTH-WESTERN LINE

(C., ST. P., M. & O. RY.)

THREE (3) FIRST-CLASS TRAINS leave Minneapolis and St. Paul for Chicago on arrival of trains from Victoria, as follows:

LEAVE MINNEAPOLIS 7:30 a.m.; St. Paul, 8:15 a.m. daily. Badger State Express. Has parlor car to Chicago. Arrive Milwaukee 9 p.m.; Chicago 9:55 p.m.

LEAVE MINNEAPOLIS 6:15 p.m.; St. Paul, 6:55 p.m., except Sunday. Atlantic & Southern Express has Wagner Buffet Sleeper and FREE car to Chicago. Arrive Chicago 8 a.m.

LEAVE MINNEAPOLIS 7:30 p.m.; St. Paul, 8:10 p.m. daily, Famous Northwestern Limited. Has Wagner Private Compartments and Sixteen Section Sleepers and Buffet Smoking Library Coaches to Chicago. Sleeper to Milwaukee, breakfast in Dining Car before reaching Chicago. Arrive Milwaukee 7:50 a.m.; Chicago, 9:30 a.m.

FOR ILLUSTRATED FOLDER FREE descriptive of Splendid Train Service via this line to Sioux City, Omaha, Kansas City, Duluth, Ashland, as well as to Milwaukee and Chicago, call on your home agent or address,

T. W. TEASDALE, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul.

W. H. MEAD, General Agent, 202 Washington street, Portland, Ore.

F. W. PARKER, Commercial Agent, 606 First Avenue, Seattle.

NOTICE.

Mortgagee's Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain indenture of mortgage, dated the eleventh day of March, 1889, and registered in the books of the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B.C., on the 25th day of March, 1889 in charge book vol. 8, folio 135, and numbered 30223, tenders will be received by the undersigned up to the 13th of January next for the purchase of all those pieces or parcels of land situate in the City of Victoria aforesaid, and known on the official map of the said city as lots numbered 800 and 810 (eight hundred and nine and eight hundred and ten). The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

DUMBLETON & INNES, Solicitors for the Mortgagees.

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## TRANSPORTATION.

CANADIAN PACIFIC NAVIGATION CO. (LIMITED.)

Time Table No. 81, Taking Effect November 19th, 1897.

VANCOUVER ROUTE.

Victoria to Vancouver daily except Monday at 1 o'clock.

Vancouver to Victoria daily except Monday at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C. P. R. No. 1 train.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE.

Leave Victoria for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island, Monday at 23 o'clock, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 2 going East Monday.

For Plumper Pass, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock.

For Pender and Moresby Islands, Friday at 7 o'clock.

Leave New Westminster for Victoria, Monday at 13:15 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

For Plumper Pass, Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

For Pender Island and Moresby Island, Thursday morning at 7 o'clock.

NORTHERN ROUTE.

Steamships of this Company will leave for Port Simpson and intermediate ports, via Vancouver, the 1st and 15th of each month, at 8 o'clock, and for Skidegate on the 1st of each month.

BARCLAY SOUND ROUTE.

Steamer "Tees" leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound ports on the 15th and 30th of each month.

The Company reserves the right of changing this time table, at any time, without notification.

G. A. CARLETON, General Agent. JNO. IRVING, Manager.

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RY.

TIME TABLE NO. 29.

To take effect at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 4th, 1897.

Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH.

| | Daily | Sat'dy |
|---|---|---|
| | A. M. | P. M. |
| Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington | 9:00 | 3:00 |
| Ar. Nanaimo | 12.15 | 6.15 |
| Ar. Wellington | 12.40 | 6.30 |

GOING SOUTH.

| | Daily | Sat'dy |
|---|---|---|
| | A. M. | P. M. |
| Lv. Wellington for Victoria | 8.30 | 3.30 |
| Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria | 8.1 | 3.43 |
| Ar. Victoria | 12.07 | 7.00 |

For rates and information apply at the Company's offices.

A. DUNSMUIR, President. JOSEPH HUNTER, Gen. Supt.

H. K. PRIOR, Gen. Freight and Passenger Agent.

Esquimalt & Nanaimo R'y Co.

Commencing Monday, November 1st, 1897, the

S.S. "CITY of NANAIMO"

W. D. OWEN, Master.

Will sail as follows, calling at way ports as freight and passengers may offer:

Lv. Victoria.....Monday, 7 a.m.
Lv. Nanaimo for Comox, Tuesday, 7 a.m.
Lv. Comox for Nanaimo, Thursday, 8 a.m.
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria, Friday, 7 a.m.

For freight or staterooms apply on board or at the company's ticket office, Victoria, station, Store street.

THE LIBRARY CAR ROUTE

ROCK BALLAST—NO DUST.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY

MEALS IN DINING CAR A LA CARTE.

America's Scenic Line.

THE DIRECT RAIL ROUTE —TO— KOOTENAY MINING COUNTRY.

Vestibuled trains through to St. Paul without change; only line running Buffet-Library cars for all points east.

Passengers leave Victoria by steamer City of Kingston at 8 a.m.

Shortest line to ST. PAUL, CHICAGO and the EAST.

OVERLAND .....Leaves Seattle 4:00 p.m
OVERLAND .....Arrives Seattle 10:30 a.m.
COAST LINE.....Leaves Seattle 8:15 a.m.
COAST LINE.....Arrives Seattle 6:15 p.m.

For further information call on or address R. C. STEVENS, G.W.A.P.A., Seattle. J. H. ROGERS, Agt., 75 Gov't St.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co.

The Company's elegant steamers CITY OF PUEBLA, WALLA WALLA and UMATILLA, carrying H. B. M. mails, leave VICTORIA, B. C., for San Francisco, at 8 p.m., Dec. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, Jan. 4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, Feb. 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28. Due at SAN FRANCISCO a.m., Dec. 8, 13, 18, 23, 28, Jan. 2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27, Feb. 1, 6, 11, 16, 21 26 March2. Leave SAN FRANCISCO for VICTORIA, B.C., at 9 a.m., Dec. 2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27, Jan. 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, 31 Feb. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25. Due at Victoria, a.m., Dec.5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, Jan. 4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, Feb. 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28.

The elegant steamers CORONA and CITY OF TOPEKA leave VICTORIA for Alaska Dec. 6, 11, 21, 26, Jan. 5, 10, 20, 25, Feb. 4, 9, 19, 24. Due back at VICTORIA Dec. 18, 23, Jan. 2, 7, 17, 22, Feb. 1, 6, 16, 21, March 3, 8.

R. P. RITHET & CO., Agents, 61 and 63 Wharf St., Victoria, B.C.

J. F. TROWBRIDGE, P.S., Supt., Seattle.

GOODALL, PERKINS & CO., Gen. Agts., S. F.

Spokane Falls & Northern. Nelson & Fort Sheppard Red Mountain Railways

The only all rail route without change of cars between Spokane, Rossland and Nelson. Also between Nelson and Rossland.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

| Leave. | | Arrive. |
|---|---|---|
| 8:00 a.m. | Spokane | 6:40 p.m. |
| 12:00 a.m. | Rossland | 2:50 p.m. |
| 9:20 a.m. | Nelson | 5:35 p.m. |

Close connections at Nelson with steamer for Kaslo and all Kootenay Lake points.

Passengers for Kettle River and Boundary Creek connect at Marcus with stage daily.

## Provincial News.

### VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Dec. 21.—The Molsons' bank is locating in this city.

G. V. Holt, of the Bank of British Columbia, and Miss Rose Townley, of this city, were united in marriage today, Rev. L. N. Tucker officiating.

Health Inspector Marrion returned on Sunday from the Darcy island lazaretto after a very rough trip. The captain of the steamer had never been to Darcy Island before, and thus a considerable length of time was spent in cruising before its location was ascertained. Mr. Marrion states that there are seven lepers on the island, one, believed to be the first lepor sent from here some years ago, having just died.

### ROSSLAND.

The customs house is to be removed from its present quarters on West Columbia avenue to the offices in the second story of the Martin block on Washington street between First and Columbia avenues. This is done for the purpose of getting into a more central location.

Howard S. Wallace, merchant of this city, at the earnest solicitation of a number of his friends, including J. B. Johnson, C. O. Lalonde, James Hunter, Ross Thompson, and many others, has consented to become a candidate for mayor of the municipality of Rossland.

The Palace skating rink will be thrown open to the public on Tuesday. There will be 100x55 feet of clear ice on the rink, with a three foot walk on its four sides for the accommodation of spectators. The rink will be made as light as day by means of six large arc lights. The hockey club willbegin to practice in the rink within a few days, and as soon as they feel that they are able to compete with similar organizations in Nelson, Kaslo and elsewhere, challenges will be issued. It is also probable that there will be match games between the two clubs of this city. Hockey is a most exciting game when the players are skillful, and Rossland has some of known repute.—Rossland Miner.

### NEW WESTMINSTER.

The funeral of the late Mr. Frank Forrest, who has been ill for many weeks, took place yesterday afternoon from St. Andrew's Presbyterian church to the Odd Fellow's cemetery, the service being conducted by Rev. T. Scoular and A. E. Vert. The pallbearers were Mayor-elect Ovens and Messrs. T. Gifford, J. C. Armstrong, J. C. Brown, J. J. Forrester and J. B. Kennedy, M.P.P., while a large number of people paid the last tribute of respect to the deceased by attending the funeral and sending floral wreaths. The deceased was a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, and emigrated to Ontario in the '50's. In 1862 Mr. Forrest joined the rush of gold seekers to this province, and sailed from New York to San Francisco, having amongst his companions Senator James Reid, of Cariboo, and Messrs. J. Maxwell, J.P., of Langley, and J. McIntosh of Kamloops. After prospecting and mining in Cariboo and the Peace River country, Mr. Forrest settled in this city in 1865, and engaged in the contracting business for some 14 years in partnership with Mr. William Lister. For the past 18 years deceased occupied the position of foreman of the board of works, and discharged his duties in a most creditable manner. Deceased was widely known and highly respected by all.

**Catarrh Cured for 25 cents.**

I suffered from catarrh for years, and have found Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure the best that I have used, and gladly recommend it to sufferers. Yours truly, HARRY STONE, Rainham Centre, Ont.

### NANAIMO NOTES.

Steamer Line to Skagway—Death of Mrs. Margaret Hopkins.

Mr. A. R. Johnson informed a Free Press representative to-day that it has been definitely decided to place the steamer City of Nanaimo on the route between Nanaimo and Skagway. The indications are that travel for the northern gold fields will commence next month. The steamer City of Nanaimo will make her first trip to Skagway in January. Further particulars will be made public in a few days.

Mrs. Margaret Hopkins, relict of the late David Hopkins, died this morning after a prolonged illness. The deceased lady was a native of Merthyr, South Wales, was 72 years and six months of age and has been a resident of this city since about the year 1871. Two sons—Mr. Thos. Hopkins, who met with an accident in Oregon a few days ago, and Mr. W. H. Hopkins, of this city—mourn her loss.

The Hamilton Powder Works Company have completed their new wharf at Departure Bay and it now ready for the shipment of powder. The first shipment was made over the wharf last week, the steamer Dunsmuir taking a cargo of explosives to the Mainland. This will do away with the transportation of the blasting powder and high explosives through the city and their shipment from the city wharves.

At a meeting of the Frederick Arm Mining Company the advisability of disposing of the Blue Bell mine on Frederick's Arm was considered, and as a result the deal for the sale of the property is now about closed. The buyers are an English syndicate, and by the terms of the agreement they will spend $10,000 on the property within six months and at any time during that period the company can take over the property if they so desire. The conditions are that they will form a new company with a capital of $500,000, with $100,000 in the treasury for development purposes, and give the stockholders of the old company 40 per cent. of the stock in fully paid up and non-assessable shares, besides $15,000 in cash. The showing on this property has been a remarkable one and the deal is one of the largest consummated for some time.

During the months of July and August last Mr. George Williams, manager of the Bank of British Columbia, had a cactus that bloomed very freely and after the flowers had faded the plant was put aside. A few weeks ago two buds were observed on it and it now has two handsome flowers in full bloom.

There was quite a large attendance at the meeting of the Nanaimo Poultry Society held on Saturday evening, when it was decided not to hold a poultry show this season, but to concentrate their efforts to make a still more comprehensive exhibition next season.

The funeral of the late Erward Henry Michael took place yesterday afternoon from Messrs. J. Hibert & Son's undertaking rooms on Bastion street.—Free Press.

### NEWS OF STEVESTON.

The Richmond Farmers' Institute—A Burglar at Work.

Steveston, Dec. 20.—The first meeting of the Richmond Farmers' Institute was held at the municipal hall on Saturday. Mr. Thos. Kidd, M.P.P., presided, and Mr. Robert McBride acted as secretary.

It was resolved to proceed at once to the election of officers, on the understanding that they would only hold office till the first annual meeting, which must be held next month.

The following were duly appointed: President, Capt. W. F. Stewart, Eburne; vice-president, Mr. Thos. New, Central Park; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Robert McBride, Eburne; directors, Messrs. John Dinsmore and James Thomson.

Capt. Stewart in accepting office said that although the institute seemed but a small organization to-day, he looked for great results from it. If the farmers once combine they will speedily realize the good they can do to their own interests by their union. He hoped that by the date of the annual meeting they would have a large membership enrolled. He would personally do all he could to further the interests of the institute.

Mr. New said it was no easy matter to bring farmers together. He thought it of great importance that they should unite and stand shoulder to shoulder. So united, there were many things they could do. He thought it would not be long before the institute became a large wide and useful organization. The farmers in South Vancouver and Burnaby were deeply interested in it, and he believed many of them would join as members.

Secretary McBride said one of the first questions the institute should tackle was that of "Cheap Money for the Farmer." He believed that by a united and earnest effort they could have something substantial done in this direction. The credit of the province stood high. Charter mongers were not slow to see this and they were at the government for loans, bonuses and guarantees. All these grants really became burdens on the farmers; yet the farmers could not make a combined request for the aid which they absolutely require to enable them to carry on the work they had to do. He mentioned other subjects which would also claim their consideration.

Mr. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, and Mr. Thos. Cunningham briefly addressed the meeting. Both gentlemen hoped to be present at the annual meeting next month.

After some other gentlemen had briefly spoken a vote of thanks was passed to the chairman and the meeting separated.

The burglar has been getting in his work in one quiet place. A store on the dyke near the Brunswick Cannery, which had been locked up for a few days, was found on Saturday to have been broken into and practically cleared out. The stock was varied and of considerable value. Diligent search is being made for the miscreants, but as yet without any good results.

The Lebu has now completed loading her cargo of salmon and will sail from here to-morrow. The loading of the Adelaide is well advanced, but work has been stopped, awaiting part of the cargo which is coming from another cannery.

### FAST ON THE ROCKS.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—The brig reported as having gone ashore at Cross Ledge, Delaware Bay, proves to be the H. H. Wright, which left Portland, Me., on December 10, in ballast, bound for this city. It is said the Wright had been purchased by a party of 16 men of Camden, N.J., who had banded themselves together under the title of the Alaska Transportation and Trading Company, and that the vessel was to be overhauled and fitted up to carry passengers and freight to the Klondike.

### ORIENTAL FREIGHT.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The exportation of raw cotton to Japan by way of Pacific coast ports is practically double what it was last season. There are not steamers enough in the Pacific Mail service to prevent a congestion of westbound Oriental freight.

### A MURDEROUS MADMAN.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 21.—Ferdinand Uhl, the murderous madman who killed Patrick Murphy, of Temescal, and then tried to exterminate other imaginary enemies, has been committed to the asylum for the insane at Ukiah.

### FAVOR ANNEXATION.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 21.—The Oakland board of trade has adopted resolutions in favor of the annexation of Hawaii.

While every person cannot have an abundant head of hair, it is possible, with care and the use of Hall's Hair Renewer, to grow a respectable hirsutic covering.

Prompt relief in sick headache, dizziness, nausea, constipation, pain in the side, constipation, guaranteed to those using Carter's Little Liver Pills. One a dose. Small price. Small dose. Small pill.

A Tennessee lady, Mrs. J. W. Toole, of Philadelphia, Tenn., has been using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for her baby, who is subject to croup, and says of it: "I find it just as good as you claim it to be." Since I've had your Cough Remedy, baby has been threatened with croup ever so many times, but I would give him a dose of the remedy and it prevented his having it every time." Hundreds of mothers say the same. Sold by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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### AMERICAN NEWS.

Gardner, Mass., Dec. 21.—Loada Charland, 13 years old, George Morin, 15, and Frank Waterman, 18, were drowned yesterday afternoon while skating on thin ice.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Dec. 21.—H. G. Sturgis, ex-mayor of this town and president of the Citizen's Bank (defunct), fired a bullet through his body in the region of the heart with suicidal intent and will die. Despondency over business troubles affected his mind.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 21.—The city council last night by a vote of twelve to seven passed the curfew ordinance prohibiting children under fifteen from using the streets after 9 p.m. in the summer and 8 p.m. in the winter. An effort will be made to defeat it on reconsideration.

To the aged, with their poor appetite, feeble circulation and impoverished blood Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a boon beyond price. Its effect is to check the ravages of time by invigorating every organ, nerve and tissue of the body. See Ayer's almanac for the new year.

"I have been so unlucky this fall." "In what way?" "Our clergyman has called three times, and each time the maid told him I had gone to a progressive euchre party."—Chicago Record.

**Rheumatism Cured.**

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**Corporation of the City of Victoria.**

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 28th day of December, 1897, at the City Pound, situate on Chambers street, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, I shall sell by Public Auction the following animal, viz: One light bay horse with white face. Unless the said animal is redeemed and the pound charges paid at or before the time of sale.

F. CURRAN,
Pound Keeper.

Victoria, B.C., December 21st, 1897.

**Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital**

**CHRISTMAS DAY.**

The usual Christmas donations of all kinds will be thankfully received at the Hospital, or if intending donors will kindly drop a postal card to Mr. Robert Jenkinson, the House Steward, he will send to any address named and gladly take charge of any gifts. de21

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Notice is hereby given that any persons having claims against the Victoria Flour and Rice Mills of this city, are required to mail them to the Mount Royal Milling and Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Montreal, before the 1st day of January, proxime.

JOHN DILLON,
de15 Liquidator.

**NOTICE**

is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act to incorporate for the Dominion of Canada the Federal Life Assurance Company of Ontario under the corporate name of the Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada, having its head office at Hamilton, Ontario, with full power to transact life assurance business in all its forms and branches in the said Dominion of Canada and elsewhere, and invest its moneys and assets in any province, state or country in which it may carry on business, in such securities therein as its directors may elect, and with such other powers and provisions as shall be deemed advisable.

Dated at Hamilton this 2nd day of December, A.D. 1897.

THOS. C. HASLETT,
Solicitor for the Federal Life Assurance Company of Ontario.

# MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

# Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897.

**List of Lands and Improvements within the corporation of the City of Victoria, to be sold for Taxes and Costs on the 29th day of December, 1897, at the City Hall, Victoria, at 12 o'clock, noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid.**

| | Block | Section. | Lands and Improvements. | Assessed Owner. | Registered Owner. | Amount of Taxes for year or years ending Dec. 31, 1896, unpaid 30th of November, 1897. | Collector's Commission and Contingent expenses of sale | Total Amount of Taxes and Costs. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Part 171 | 25 | | Land and Imp. | J. H. Seeley | Part W. C. S. Seeley, part W. C. S. | $ 67 50 | $ 9 19 | $ 76 69 |
| Part 1-1 | 25 | | do do | Mrs. W. C. Seeley | Seeley and Emanuel Baris, part | 69 00 | 9 66 | 78 66 |
| Part 171 | 25 | | do | J. H. Seeley & E. Baris | Sarah C. N. M. Renworth | 31 93 | 4 30 | 36 23 |
| N. part 406 | 13 | | do and Imp. | D. F. Adams | James Porter | 108 75 | 15 22 | 123 97 |
| E. part 432 | W | | do do | Mrs C Greenwood | John K. Greenwood | 44 25 | 6 19 | 50 44 |
| E. part 794 | 10 | | do do | Mrs. Mary Jamieson | Not registered | 22 55 | 3 15 | 25 70 |
| 507 | 10 | | do | John Colbert | John Colbert & Joshua H. Warner | 34 0 | 4 83 | 39 83 |
| 872 | J | | do do | Sam Hop Tong | Sam Hop Tong | 54 37 | 7 61 | 61 98 |
| E. ½ 878 | J | | do do | Lucie Thiebault | Lucie Thiebault | 30 00 | 4 20 | 34 20 |
| 14 of 935 etc | 44 | | do | W. H. Ellis | P. R. Brown | 13 30 | 1 20 | 15 50 |
| N. pt 15 do | 44 | | do | do | do | 2 00 | 28 | 2 28 |
| S. do do | 44 | | do | W. J. Cline | Not registered | 10 0 | 1 40 | 11 40 |
| 1026 | Z | | do | J. Bigoe | James Wallace | 39 16 | 5 50 | 45 |
| 1038 | Z | | do and Imp. | Mrs. Rose Wallace | Frank Shelton and Lizzie Fleming | 16 00 | 2 31 | 18 81 |
| 1046 | Y | | do | Shelton & Fleming | Bedlington, H. John | 15 00 | 2 10 | 17 10 |
| 1128 | 22 | | do | B. H. John | do | 16 50 | 2 31 | 18 81 |
| 1129 | 22 | | do and Imp. | do | John Turner | 24 75 | 3 45 | 28 20 |
| 1263 | H | | do do | John Turner | Winnifred Gibson | 255 00 | 35 70 | 290 70 |
| 19 of 1257 | T | | do do | Winnifred Gibson | Andrew D. Laing | 31 50 | 4 41 | 35 91 |
| 1301 | 46 | | do do | J. C. Prevost | do | 42 37 | 5 93 | 48 30 |
| 1302 | 46 | | do | do | do | 41 25 | 5 77 | 47 02 |
| 1309 | 46 | | do and Imp. | do | do | 48 86 | 6 14 | 55 00 |
| 1313 | 44 | | do | G. A. Keefer | Not registered | 39 74 | 5 56 | 45 30 |
| 1314 | 44 | | do | do | do | 39 74 | 5 56 | 45 30 |
| E. part 1631 | 32 | | do | Mrs Ellen Turner | Ellen Turner | 6 00 | 84 | 6 84 |
| 1631 | 32 | | do and Imp. | do | do | 18 75 | 2 62 | 21 37 |
| 1633 | 32 | | do do | do | do | 25 50 | 3 57 | 29 07 |
| 1634 | 32 | | do do | do | do | 27 00 | 3 78 | 30 78 |
| 1637 | 32 | | do do | do | do | 16 50 | 2 31 | 18 81 |
| 5 of 1707-1711 | 60 | (Map 220) | do | H. M. Dumbleton | Henry M. Dumbleton | 21 00 | 2 94 | 23 94 |
| 6 of 1707-711 | 60 | do | do | do | do | 21 00 | 2 94 | 23 94 |
| N. part 1746 | 60 | | do | A. J. Smith | Andrew J. Smith | 27 00 | 3 78 | 30 78 |
| 7 of 1777-1791 | 61 | | do and Imp. | W. H. Flewin | Wm. Hy. Flewin | 20 25 | 2 83 | 23 08 |
| 1807 | 62 | | do | Est. W. C. Seeley | Wm. C. S. Seeley | 35 82 | 5 01 | 40 83 |
| 1874 | 63 | | do and Imp. | do | do | 45 94 | 6 43 | 52 37 |
| Part | 3 | Beckler Farm | do | R. R. Rayne | Richard R. Rayne | 24 00 | 3 36 | 27 36 |
| 5 | 15-16 | do | do | W. D. Morgan | Winslow D. Morgan | 19 26 | 2 78 | 22 04 |
| 31 | 30 | do | do and Imp. | Fred. McGraw | Frederick McGraw | 18 90 | 2 60 | 21 65 |
| W ½ 32 | 30 | do | do | do | do | 7 02 | 1 00 | 8 02 |
| 10 | 21 | do | do and Imp. | W. H. Cowper | Wm. Hy. Cowper | 51 00 | 7 14 | 58 14 |
| 11 | 21 | do | do | do | do | 48 00 | 6 72 | 54 72 |
| 12 | 21 | do | do | do | do | 65 50 | 7 77 | 63 27 |
| 6 of 1-9 | 21 | do | do | T. Corsan | Thomas Corsan | 11 25 | 1 57 | 12 82 |
| 2 | 1 | Christ Ch. Tr. est | do | W. H. Ellis | Wm. H. Ellis | 24 00 | 3 30 | 27 30 |
| 11 | 1 | do | do and Imp. | do | do | 35 25 | 4 93 | 40 18 |
| 6 | 37 | Fairfield Estate | do | J. E. Martin | James Douglas | 4 5 | 63 | 5 13 |
| 22 | 37 | do | do | Richd. Robinson | do | 4 13 | 57 | 4 70 |
| 10 | 4 | 19 | do | Catherine J. John | Catherine J. John | 3 00 | 42 | 3 42 |
| | 14 | 68 (Map 261) | do | Est. W. R. Clarke | Wm. R. Clarke | 13 24 | 3 25 | 16 49 |
| 17 | 5a | 69&74 (Map 200a) | do | A. L. Belyea | Benjamin S. Oddy | 2 40 | 33 | 2 73 |
| 25 | 5a | do | do | do | do | 2 40 | 33 | 2 73 |
| 2 | 3 | 71 | do | Mrs. Agnes Reid | Agnes Reid | 4 77 | 68 | 5 45 |
| 3 | 3 | 71 | do | do | do | 3 36 | 47 | 3 83 |
| 35 | 5 | 74 | do | Wm. Farmer | Euphemia Cline | 4 03 | 58 | 4 61 |
| 37 | 5 | 74 | do | Wm. Moore | do | 3 36 | 47 | 3 83 |
| 38 | 5 | 74 | do | Dr. L. N. McKechnie | do | 3 37 | 47 | 3 84 |
| 39 | 5 | 74 | do | do | do | 4 05 | 56 | 4 61 |
| N ½ 6 Regen t's park | 7 | 74 | do | J. J. Austin | John J. Austin | 4 50 | 63 | 5 13 |
| 7 do do | 8 | 74 | do | do | do | 16 50 | 2 31 | 18 81 |
| 8 do do | 19 | 74 | do | do | do | 13 50 | 1 89 | 15 39 |
| 19 | 2-3 | Fernwood Est. | do | E. G. Anderson | P. W. Patterson & Ed. G. Anderson | 1 20 | 16 | 1 36 |
| 34 | 2-3 | do | do and Imp. | J. H. Brownlee | Annie Hind | 15 00 | 2 10 | 17 10 |
| 11 | 13 17 &c. | do | do | H. Smith | William Wilson | 3 75 | 52 | 4 27 |
| Part | 21-29 | do | do and Imp. | P. S. Fenerty, et al | Sarsfield, Joseph, Kate, Anna and John Fenerty | 300 90 | 42 13 | 343 13 |
| Part | 36 | do | do do | do | do do | 89 42 | 12 53 | 101 95 |
| 16 | 34 | do | do do | John Colbert | Daniel R. Young | 17 25 | 2 41 | 19 66 |
| N ½ 3 | 58-59 | do | do do | J. J. Austin | J. J. Austin | 5 25 | 73 | 5 98 |
| 32 | 69 | do | do do | John Teague | John Teague | 5 25 | 73 | 5 98 |
| 33 | 69 | do | do do | do | do | 6 00 | 84 | 6 84 |
| 35 | 69 | do | do do | do | do | 6 25 | 73 | 5 98 |
| 37 | 69 | do | do do | do | do | 5 25 | 73 | 5 98 |
| 111 | 69 | do | do do | do | do | 5 25 | 73 | 5 98 |
| 18 | 45-48 &c | 25 | do do | Chan Man Cheong | E. B. C. Hannington and Hy. Croft | 2 70 | 38 | 3 08 |
| 74 | to | 25 | do do | W. H. Philpott | Wm. H. Philpott | 5 01 | 70 | 5 71 |
| 87 | do | 25 | do do | G. A. McBain | John D. Foreman | 6 56 | 92 | 7 48 |
| 34 | 69-72 | Spring Ridge | do and Imp. | C. Farrington | Christopher Farrington | 7 50 | 1 05 | 8 55 |
| 43 | 69-72 | do | do do | Mrs. M. R. Robbins | Clara O'Haggerty | 9 00 | 1 26 | 10 26 |
| 8 | Suburb's | 5-acre lots N ½ 7 | do and Imp. | W. J. Cline | Walter J. Cline | 21 0 | 1 24 | 23 04 |
| 34 | do | do 8 | do do | Thos. Tugwell | Thomas Tugwell | 17 25 | 2 41 | 19 66 |
| 18 | do | do 19 | do | F. H. Curry | Frank H. Curry | 5 40 | 75 | 6 15 |
| W ½ 36 | do | do 19 | do | Mrs. John Smith | John Smith | 2 70 | 38 | 3 08 |
| W ½ 59 | do | do 19 | do | do | do | 2 70 | 38 | 3 08 |
| 14 | A | Finlayson Est. | do and Imp. | Mrs. Kate Wilson | Joseph Wilson | 25 50 | 3 57 | 29 07 |
| 8 | B | do | do do | T. J. Dearberg | Thomas J. Dearberg | 18 0 | 2 52 | 20 52 |
| 12 | C | do | do | Tong Yue & Co | Charles J. Mulkey | 18 00 | 2 52 | 20 52 |
| 13 | Q | Work Estate | do | N. P. Snowden | Northing P. Snowden | 9 00 | 1 26 | 10 26 |
| 16 | Q | do | do | do | do | 10 50 | 1 47 | 11 97 |
| 17 | 1, 7, 8, 9 | do (Map 182) | do | Loo Chong Shong & Chow Kai | Royal Agnew | 33 75 | 4 73 | 38 48 |
| 96 | 7 | Hillside Ext. | IV do | Donald Smith | Donald Smith | 13 50 | 1 26 | 15 76 |
| 97 | 7 | do | IV do and Imp. | do | do | 17 25 | 2 41 | 19 66 |
| 128 | 9 | do | IV do do | J. A. Grant | James A. Grant | 14 25 | 1 99 | 16 24 |
| 161 | 10 | do | IV do | James Jeffery | James Jeffrey | 9 75 | 1 36 | 11 11 |
| 353 | 13 | do | C do and Imp. | M. L. Winnett | Lydia Winnett | 7 50 | 1 05 | 8 55 |
| 355 | 13 | do | C do do | do | do | 7 50 | 1 05 | 8 55 |
| 5 of 3 | 7-9 | Saanich Ext. | do | Sam Wai | Sam Wai | 3 38 | 47 | 3 85 |
| 10 of 4 | 7-9 | do | do | do | do | 3 00 | 43 | 3 43 |
| 22 of 1 | 56-57 &c. | 29-30 Oaklands | do and Imp. | A. V. Wover | | 5 99 | 84 | 6 83 |
| 2 of 2 | do | do do | do | G. P. Carter | Emanuel Levy | | | |
| | | | | | Emanuel J. Salmon | 1 23 | 50 | 4 62 |
| 1 of 3 | do | do do | do | F. J. Julff | Joshua Davies | 2 70 | 38 | 3 08 |
| 14 of 3 | do | do do | do | do | Henry Moss | 2 70 | 38 | 3 08 |
| 22 of 3 | do | do do | do | Est. Geo. Fairbrother | | 2 70 | 38 | 3 08 |
| | 10 | do do | do | C. Farrington | Not registered | 52 00 | 7 28 | 59 28 |
| 1 | 1-5 | 10 Victoria west | do | Thos. Hendo son | Thos. Henderson | 4 50 | 63 | 5 13 |
| 2 | 1-5 | 10 do | do | do | do | 4 13 | 58 | 4 71 |
| 25 | 1-5 | 10 do | do | R. Kenny | Emanuel J. Sinson | 3 37 | 47 | 3 84 |
| 27 | 1-5 | 10 do | do | Robt. Whitly | do | 3 38 | 47 | 3 85 |
| 10 | 8-12 | 10 do | do | Thos. Turnbull | Thomas Turnbull | 4 13 | 58 | 4 71 |
| 11 | 8-12 | 10 do | do | do | do | 2 25 | 31 | 2 56 |
| 5 | 13-17 | 10 do | do | Thos. Henderson | Thomas Henderson | 4 50 | 63 | 5 13 |
| 6 | 13-17 | 10 do | do | do | do | 5 62 | 78 | 6 40 |
| 25 | F | 31 | do | Styles & Banfield | George Elvin | 9 75 | 1 37 | 11 12 |
| 25a | F | 31 | do do and Imp. | do do | do | 7 50 | 1 05 | 8 55 |
| 19 of R1-4 &c. | N | 31 | do | Mrs. T. N. Butcher | Thomas N. Butcher | 1 50 | 21 | 1 71 |
| 27 do | N | 31 | do | do | do | 1 50 | 21 | 1 71 |
| 188 | W | 31 | do do and Imp. | T. W. Fletcher | Thomas W. Fletcher | 4 86 | 68 | 5 54 |
| 183 | X | 31 | do do | Mrs. L. M. Boggs | Louisa M. Boggs | 7 50 | 1 05 | 8 55 |
| 181 | X | 31 | do do and Imp. | do | do | 25 50 | 3 57 | 29 07 |
| 8 | Lime Bay. | 31 | do do | W. R. Jones | Wilfrid R. Jones | 9 75 | 1 36 | 11 11 |
| 12 | do | 31 | do do and Imp. | do | do | 9 75 | 1 36 | 11 11 |
| 15 | 16 | 32 | do do | M. Lefurgy | Beaumont Boggs | 2 25 | 32 | 2 57 |
| 16 | 16 | 32 | do do | J. M. Morris | do | 2 25 | 32 | 2 57 |
| pt 3 | 11-12 | 32 | do do | Jno. Kineman | Elbridge J. Christie | 1 70 | 23 | 1 93 |
| pt 4 | 11-12 | 32 | do do | do | do | 1 33 | 19 | |
| 3 | 18-19 &c. | 32 | do do and Imp. | McKay & Cannell | Kenneth Cannell and Alexander McKay | 7 63 | 1 07 | |

City Treasurer and Collector's Office,
City Hall, Victoria, B. C.
November 24th, 1897

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## BASKET BALL.

### League Meeting.

The Victoria Basket Ball league will meet to-morrow evening at 7:30 in the J.B.A.A. Club house to appoint a secretary-treasurer and arrange for playing games not played on the dates originally arranged

The league schedule follows:

Monday, January 3, Wasps v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, January 7, No. 1 v. J.B.A.A., Drill Hall.
Monday, January 10, No. 2 v. Wasps, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, January 14, No. 3 Co. v. No. 1 Co., Drill Hall.
Monday, January 17, J.B.A.A. v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, January 21, No. 2 v. No. 1, Drill Hall.
Monday, January 24, Wasps v. No. 3, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, January 27, No. 3, v. J.B.A.A., Drill Hall.
Monday, January 31, No. 2 v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, February 4, No. 1 v. Wasps, Drill Hall.
Monday, February 7, No. 3 v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, February 11, J.B.A.A. v. No.2, Drill Hall.
Monday, February 14, Wasps v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, February 18, No. 3, v. No. 2, Drill Hall.
Monday, February 21, No. 1 v. J.B.A.A., Y. M. C. A.
Friday, February 25, No. 3 v. Wasps, Drill Hall.
Monday, February 28, No. 2 v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, March 4, J.B.A.A. v. No. 3, Drill Hall.
Monday, March 7, No. 1 v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, March 11, No. 3 v. No. 1, Drill Hall.
Monday, March 14, J.B.A.A. v. Wasps, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, March 18, Wasps v. No. 2, Drill Hall.
Monday, March 21, J.B.A.A. v. Swifts, Y. M. C. A.
Friday, March 25, No. 2 v. No. 1, Drill Hall.

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